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BRITISH PRESS SAYS SUPPORT FOR CHINA SHOULD BE MADE CLEAR

London, To-day.

The "Daily Mail," in an editorial, says that Sir Robert Craigie in Tokyo is doing well in a very difficult task. He has successfully surmounted the first hurdle in the Anglo-Japanese negotiations.

From the Japanese press now comes a series of 11 "demands" affecting the whole of the British population in China. But Mr. Chamberlain has assured Parliament that the conversations will be confined strictly to local issues.

In particular, Britain should do nothing likely to impair the Chinese currency.

TOKYO TAKES A RESERVED ATTITUDE

TOKYO, TO-DAY.

THE DECLARATION PUBLISHED BY FOREIGN MINISTER ARITA YESTERDAY REGARDING THE AGREEMENT WITH BRITAIN HAS BEEN RECEIVED WITH THE GREATEST RESERVE BY POLITICAL CIRCLES AND THE ENTIRE JAPANESE PRESS.

The standpoint is taken that it is first necessary to await the practical effects of the British concessions. In addition, it is stated, these concessions were by no means far-reaching enough, as they did not furnish any proof of a fundamental change in the British convictions unless the theoretical concessions are to be followed up by practical measures.

Obviously under the influence of this Japanese reserve, the British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie, yesterday allegedly made a statement to the Japanese press in which he emphasised that his agreement with Japanese Foreign Minister Arita was by no means restricted to the treaty of North China, but applied to the whole of China as far as it was occupied by Japanese troops.

In particular, this agreement applied to Shanghai and Kiangsu.

Britain should not listen to the louder of Japan's two voices. Milder tones are slow in coming, but they appear to carry authority.

The "Daily Express" says that the talks in Tokyo are open on the basis of facing the facts—we are to recognise Japan's position in China to-day. And recognising facts is the beginning of political wisdom.

We should have been saved humiliation and trouble if we had not refused to face unpleasant truths in Abyssinia.

We cannot prevent Japanese aggression in China by shutting our eyes to it, nor help the Chinese by looking the other way.

LIBERAL VIEW

The "News Chronicle" says that it is to be feared that Russia and the United States may feel that there is more truth in the Japanese version of the talks.

Inasmuch as actions speak louder than words, let the Government back up its interpretation by arranging forthwith for substantial credit for China.

This is one specific way in which the British Government can express its recognition of the fact that China is fighting its battle in the East.

More important than safeguarding British rights in this or that concession is the appreciation of this central fact and the action which should support it.

THE MANCHESTER GUARDIAN says that the charitable view is that the

he is reported to have stated—

STABILISATION FUND DISCUSSION

London, To-day.

The China Association met yesterday to consider whether the British Government should be asked to replenish the Stabilization Fund, now believed to be virtually exhausted, declares the "Financial News."

The paper adds that no agreement on policy was reached and the meeting was adjourned to consider Mr. Chamberlain's statement on the Tokyo talks.—Reuter.

NEW C.-IN-C. TAKES OVER

Shanghai, To-day.

Rear-Admiral Charles Thomas Hart attained the rank of full Admiral at 9 o'clock this morning when he took over command of the United States Asiatic Fleet from Admiral Harry Yarnell.

The handing over consisted of a brief ceremony on board the U.S.S. Augusta.—Reuter.

Veiled Threat To Russia

TOKYO, TO-DAY.

THE STATEMENT MADE BY ADMIRAL YONAI, THE NAVY MINISTER, THAT THE JAPANESE FLEET WOULD SHORTLY BEGIN WARTIME TRAINING, IS APPARENTLY A VEILED THREAT TO SOVIET RUSSIA.

Admiral Yonai said that a Japanese fleet would hold demonstrations "under conditions approximating those that would prevail in war," in order to intimate clearly that Japan is ready to protect her vital oil and coal concessions on North Saghalien.

A newly assembled fleet, would be used for the first time for manoeuvres.

The Japanese navy, Admiral Yonai asserted, was firmly determined to protect Japanese interests on the island of Saghalien.—Trans-Ocean.

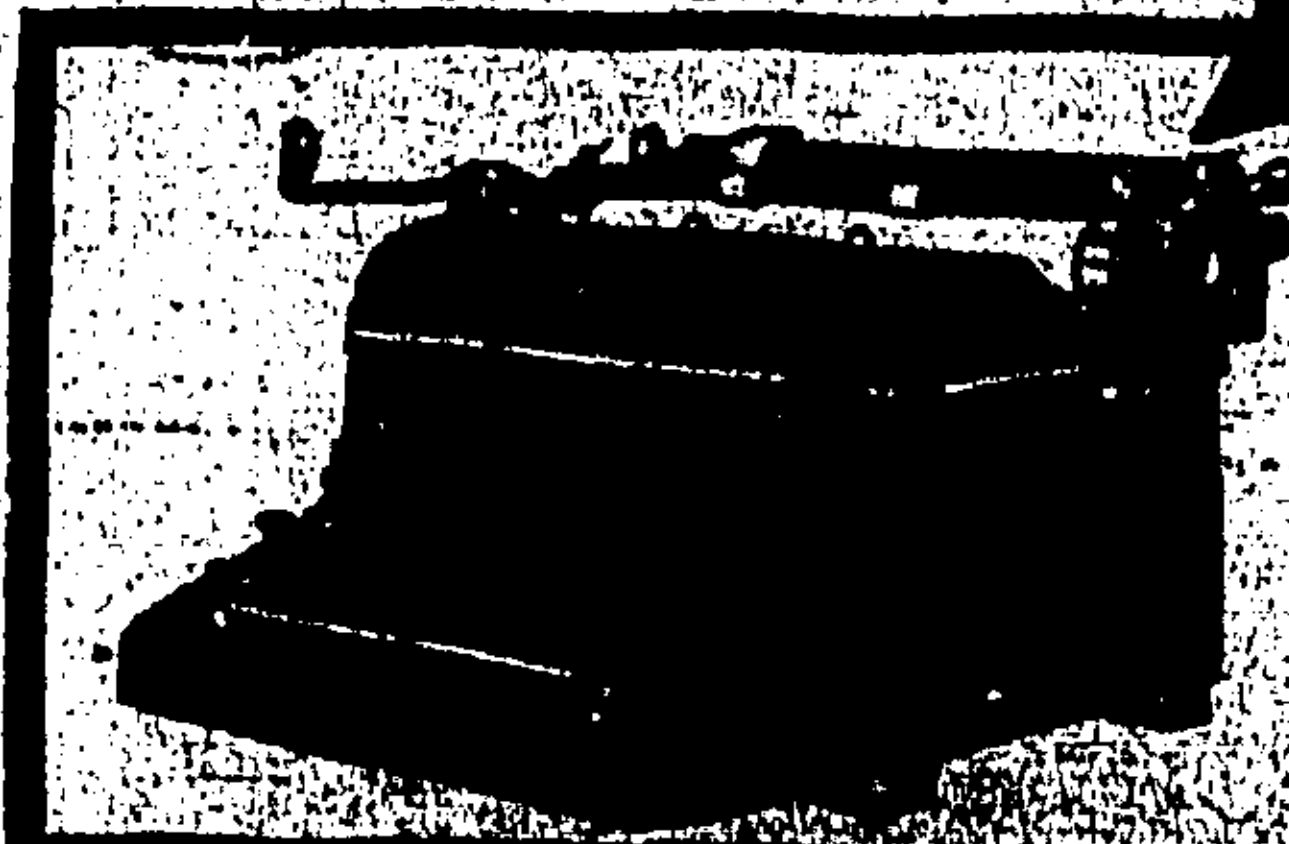


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GOVERNMENT'S FOOD PLAN

The declaration of Sir Herbert Matthews, a member of the Ministry of Food during the Great War, that "this country is in a far worse position as regards its food supply than it was in 1914," finds little support.

Reasons which Sir Herbert, who was making his presidential address to the Industrial Transport Association at Norwich, gave for taking this view included growth of population and reduction of the number of our merchant ships.

He also referred to the "poor and half starved" condition of the land and low farm prices — matters which already have been dealt with in recent agricultural legislation.

Regarding food storage Sir Herbert condemned the "secrecy" which he said followed the Government's announcement 12 months ago of the purchase of a large quantity of wheat, sugar and whale oil.

What, he asked, had been done with the wheat? Had it been brought to this country, or were the Government satisfied with "futures."

"TOO MUCH CONTROL"

He had no objection to dealers being employed as agents for the Government, but he had the very strongest objection of them having any voice in deciding when or where buying, storage or selling was to take place. "I am apprehensive," he added. "The very silence of the 'trade' leads me to fear it has too much control."

The facts are that through the Food Defence Plans Department of

the Board of Trade and the liberal credits arranged by Parliament for the purpose, millers and merchants in Britain are enabled to hold stocks of wheat and other grain equivalent in winter to at least six months' requirements for the whole country.

Purchases from the Dominions and foreign countries have been and will continue to be made through three selected large organisations, — the Co-operative Wholesale Society, Joseph Rank and Spillers.

FLEXIBLE ARRANGEMENT

Experience towards the end of the last war showed that this system of employing large firms accustomed to big dealings was better than mass direct buying by the Government.

The present arrangement is flexible and should it seem that prices are being unduly forced up the Food Defence Plans Department is at liberty to appoint other agencies which could operate in secrecy.

(Continued at foot of next colm.)

DEFENCE CHIEFS AT NO. 10

London, To-day.

There was a meeting of Ministers at 10 Downing Street yesterday morning.

At the meeting there were present the Prime Minister, Mr. Chamberlain; the First Lord of the Admiralty, Lord Stanhope; the minister for Co-ordination of Defence, Lord Chatfield; the Air Minister, Sir Kingsley Wood; the War Minister, Mr. Hore-Belisha; the Minister of Supply, Mr. Leslie Burgin; Chief of Imperial General Staff, Viscount

R.A.F. RECRUITS

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry announces that 597 recruits joined the Royal Air Force during the week ending July 22 compared with 594 in the corresponding period last year.

This brings the total entry of pilots, observers, airmen and boys since April 1, 1939 to 14,252 as compared with 6,488 for the corresponding period last year.—British Wireless.

Gort; Air Chief Marshal Sir Cyril Newall; and the Diplomatic Advisor to the Government, Sir Robert Vansittart.—British Wireless.

Full Text Of Mr. Chamberlain's Statement On Tokyo

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister made the following statement in the Commons yesterday regarding the Anglo-Japanese negotiations in Tokyo.

"The general position at Tientsin is unchanged. No incidents have been reported. The milk situation is fairly satisfactory; supplies are good but continue to be subject to delays at the barriers.

"Since July 15, preliminary conversations have been proceeding at Tokyo between His Majesty's Ambassador and the Japanese Minister for Foreign Affairs before starting negotiations for settlement of the situation at Tientsin.

"At the outset of the discussions the Japanese Government expressed the view that if progress was to be made in removal of misunderstandings and establishment of better relations it was essential to recognise the background against which the situation at Tientsin should be viewed.

"This had nothing to do with His Majesty's Government's China policy but was a question of fact.

Much of the wheat purchased last autumn is now being turned over in the ordinary course of commerce. It is being replaced to some extent, but as there is promise of a good harvest, not only in Britain, but also in the Dominions, there is a tendency to reduce stocks held here.

It may be observed that all the Government measures for increasing the storage of basic feeding stuffs, whether for human or livestock consumption in Britain, have been and are being carried out without any dislocation of the markets.

NOT HELD AT PORTS

Any suggestion that large stocks of imported grain and the like are being held at the ports is inaccurate. The whole basis of the food defence plans is that distribution of such stocks should be as wide as possible, with bakers, millers and merchants given scope to increase their normal stocks, and farmers encouraged not to thresh out their crops and market them immediately after harvest.

It is now apparent that home agriculture is well on the upward grade and that production will increase to the benefit of the whole of the transport services.

"Hostilities were proceeding in China on a large scale. The Japanese army had to provide for its own security and to maintain public order in the occupied areas, and was therefore obliged to take action to see that these causes were not prejudiced.

THE FORMULA

"In order to clear the way for the Tientsin discussions, His Majesty's Government have accordingly agreed upon the following formula with the Japanese Government:

"His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom fully recognise the actual situation in China, where hostilities on a large scale are in progress and note that as long as that state of affairs continues to exist, the Japanese forces in China have special requirements for the purpose of safeguarding their own security and maintaining public order in regions under their control, and that they have to suppress or remove any such causes or acts as will obstruct them or benefit their enemy.

MAKE IT PLAIN

"His Majesty's Government have no intention of countenancing any act or measures prejudicial to the attainment of the above mentioned objects by the Japanese forces, and they will take this opportunity to confirm their policy in this respect by making it plain to the British authorities and British nationals in China that they should refrain from such acts and measures.

In reply to supplementary questions the Prime Minister said that future discussions would be confined to the local issues at Tientsin and that the declaration did not connote any change whatever in British policy in China.—British Wireless.

OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED.



ED REED

"No, no, men—like this!"

Here's Luck

EWO BEER

150 Killed, 2,000 Injured In Madrid Magazine Explosion

CHANGES IN DALADIER CABINET?

PARIS, TO-DAY.

RUMOURS OF POSSIBLE CHANGES IN THE FRENCH CABINET ARE REPORTED BY THE "POPULAIRE" AND OTHER LEFT WING PAPERS, THE ASSERTION BEING MADE THAT PARLIAMENTARY AND BUSINESS CIRCLES ARE DISCUSSING CHANGES IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY.

"Populaire" states that M. Daladier is undecided as to a successor for M. Georges Bonnet and is considering two candidates, one of whom is a Radical-Socialist while the other belong to the "moderates."

It is admitted that the present Minister of Finance, M. Paul Reynaud, not being considered, and, since only two Right Wing politicians belong to the Cabinet, namely M. Reynaud and the Minister for Colonies, M. Mandel, the paper intimates that the choice is likely to fall upon M. Mandel.

The Nationalistic weekly "Aux Ecoules" also mentions the possibility of Cabinet changes declaring the espionage scandal is likely to cause two Ministers to resign. — Trans-Ocean.

SPEAR CASE MAY BE SETTLED

LONDON, TO-DAY.

NO FORMAL TRIAL OF LT.-COL. SPEAR, THE BRITISH MILITARY ATTACHE IN CHINA HELD BY THE JAPANESE ON AN ESPIONAGE CHARGE, HAS STARTED, AND PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATIONS ARE STILL PROCEEDING.

This information was given in the House of Commons yesterday by the Under-Secretary of State, Mr. R. A. Butler.

News to this effect had been given to the officer in charge of the British Embassy in Peiping by a Japanese colleague.

Our Ambassador in Tokyo was maintaining the closest touch with the Japanese Government, and the Foreign Secretary trusted that in view of the improved atmosphere this question would soon be settled.

Mr. Arthur Henderson (Labour) asked if it had been made clear to the Japanese Government that the British Government hold them responsible for Col. Spear's safety.

Mr. Butler: Yes.—Reuter.

More than 150 people were killed and nearly 2,000 injured in a powder magazine explosion at Penaranda de Bracamonte, Salamanca, news of which had been kept secret until sometime afterwards.

Five thousand families have been rendered homeless, and secret information which reached General Franco's headquarters attributes the new reign of terrorism and sabotage in the country to the Republican Death Brigade formed in 1934.

While the authorities are reluctant to disclose the nature of their discoveries, it is stated that papers have been found confirming this view.

POLICE KNOW MAN RESPONSIBLE

Practically every house in the town, which has a population of 5,000, was razed to the ground, and a railway station and train completely vanished.

Fragments of the train were scattered for miles around, and where the railway station stood is a huge hole. Houses 50 miles away at Avila, were shaken by the explosion.

I was informed that the police know the name of the man delegated by the Death Brigade who was responsible for the explosion.

He had been living for several months with the family of a soldier on guard at the ammunition depot, and through him had been able to enter the building.

The remaining inhabitants of the town have been evacuated to Salamanca, and the roads are full of lorries laden with wounded and dying.

Three companies of infantry are maintaining a strict guard on all approaches to the town and no one is allowed to enter without special orders from the military governor.

Franco authorities have opened a strict investigation into the explosion and a military tribunal has been appointed.

General Franco has given £5,000 to a fund for the relief of the sufferers.

SECOND MAGAZINE SAVED

Firemen succeeded in saving another powder magazine, and they had the fire under control, although the flames are still rising from the burning buildings.

The Death Brigade was formed when the Oviedo miners rose to stop the inclusion of Gil Robles,

the semi-fascist catholic leader, as War Minister in the Lerroux cabinet.

Recently, 2,000 took to the hills of Oviedo and caused hundreds of deaths among Franco's troops and civil guards on duty there.

R.A.F. TENDERS ATTACKED

London, To-day.

A Colonial Office report on Palestine states that after two R.A.F. tenders had been shot at on the Beersheba-Hebron road yesterday, a military detachment went out and engaged the bandits.

It is believed that casualties were inflicted on them before darkness intervened.

During the operations one British private was killed and four others wounded.—British Wireless.

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MANY MORE COMPLAINTS AGAINST JAPAN

London, To-day.

Sir J. S. Wardlaw-Milne (Conservative M.P. for Kidderminster) and Mr. A. C. Moreing (Conservative M.P. for Rye), on behalf of the House of Commons China Committee, have sent a letter to Mr. Neville Chamberlain drawing attention to the many attacks on British interests in the Far East by the Japanese.

The writers suggest that these attacks be taken up with the Japanese Government.

They state there are many more complaints against Japan than the latter have against Britain. — Reuter.

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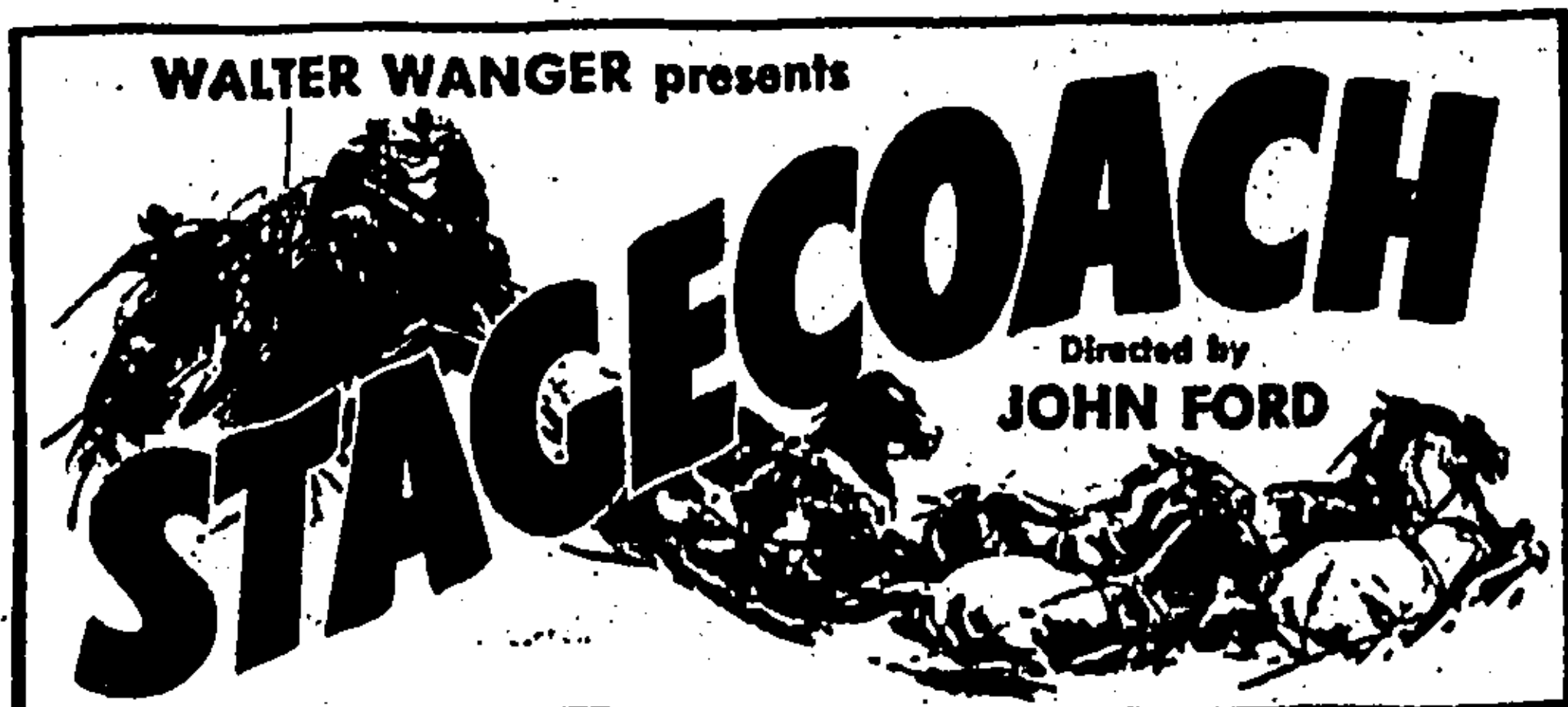
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BOMBINGA TRANS-OCEAN MESSAGE
ON THE JAPANESE AIR RAID
ON CHUNGKING ADDS THAT
THE BOMBS WERE DROPPED
WITHOUT ANY APPARENT OB-
JECTIVE.In spite of a large number of
bombs dropped, only one fire broke
out on the north bank of the river,
in the vicinity of the new German
Embassy and the building which has
been housing the German Consulate
since the old premises had to be
evacuated as a result of Japanese
air-raids.A German-owned building was
slightly damaged by the explosion
of a bomb dropped 25 yards away
and the offices of the German news
agency were greatly endangered,
several bombs dropping very close
to them.

DEFENCE HANDICAP

Chinese pursuit planes rose and
chased the Japanese bombers, but
so far no reports of any enemy
planes having been shot down have
been received.The anti-aircraft guns did not
open fire. It is explained that at
the time of the raid night had not
fallen sufficiently to make the use
of searchlights possible, while at
the same time the light of day had
faded sufficiently to make it im-
possible to pick out the Japanese
bombers sufficiently.FAILED TO
PRODUCE LICENCEJ. Von Wylick, of No. 9 Peak
Mansions, appeared before Mr. R.
Edwards at the Central Magistracy
this morning on a charge of park-
ing overtime in Queen's Road Cen-
tral near Holland House. A fine
of \$5 was imposed.Mr. E. Reprich of No. 6 Lincoln
Road, was cautioned for failing to
produce his driving licence and fined
\$3 for causing an obstruction in
Pedder Street outside the Hong
Kong Hotel.Defendant said his licence was
stolen from his residence on July
2.Mr. J. P. Whitham, of Shek-O,
was fined \$5 for leaving his motor
car unattended in Chater Road, and
\$10 for failing to produce his licence
on July 8.SHOT FIRED
IN WANCHAIOne shot was fired into the air
by an armed robber this morning
shortly after 8 o'clock in Bowen
Road, Wanchai, when his two
Chinese female victims attempted
to raise an alarm.According to a police report
made by the victims, Hau Mei, 22,
and Hau Sap, 21, sisters, who were
walking along Bowen Road were
held up by a man who pointed an
automatic pistol at them and rob-
bed them of two gold finger-rings,
a wrist watch and a gold chain, to
a total of about \$100.

No arrest has yet been made.

A life banisher, Wong Fat, 29,
who was arrested by a Chinese de-
tective when he arrived in the Co-
lony yesterday, was this morning
sentenced to 12 months' hard la-
bour by Mr. E. Himsforth at Kow-
loon for breach of the Deportation
Ordinance.JUNK ARMS
FOR DEFENCEA fine of \$10 was imposed by
Mr. E. Himsforth this morning at
Kowloon on Chan Yau, 32, master
of trading junk No. T1341H, for
possession of three rifles, 325
rounds of rifle ammunition, seven
sticks of dynamite and 13 detona-
tors without a licence from the
Commissioner of Police.Defendant pleaded guilty and
was represented by Mr. C.
d'Almada, who stated that accused
was a respectable junk man and
used the rifles to protect his junk
when entering Chinese waters.Det.-Sgt. A. Shaw, who prosecut-
ed, said that he raided the junk
while she was lying at Yaumati
Typhoon Shelter and the arms and
ammunition were found in the
cabin.Mr. Himsforth confiscated the
sticks and detonators but ordered
that the rifles and ammunition be
kept by the police until defendant
leaves the Colony for Chinese
waters.FALSE CHOLERA
CERTIFICATESSin Yuk-pak, 22, clerk of the
China Product Company, was charg-
ed at the Central Magistracy this
morning before Mr. T. J. Houston
with unlawful possession of a forged
Cholera Immunization certi-
ficate.It was said that the date on the
certificate was altered.Defendant said that though he
altered the date of the certificate,
he had no intention of using it.

A fine of \$100 was imposed.

Ho King, 28, umbrella maker,
was fined \$100 when found guilty
of a similar offence.Detective Sergeant E. J. Stewart
prosecuted.OBSERVATORY
REPORTRainfall in the last 25 hours to-
talled 0.075 of an inch, the Royal
Observatory reports.After a cool night, when the
minimum temperature was 77 de-
grees, the thermometer this morn-
ing read 82 degrees, with humidity
84 per cent.A ridge of moderately high pres-
sure extends eastward from the
Sea of Japan.The Loochoos depression is si-
tuated about 100 miles to the east
of Oshima, moving northward.A shallow depression covers
Tongking and south-west China
and a trough of low pressure ex-
tends from it to south-east China.Sentence of two months' hard la-
bour was passed on Man Kim-hing,
32, unemployed, by Mr. R. Edwards
at the Central Magistracy this
morning for stealing a handbag
and a safety razor from the Con-
fucius Hall, Caroline Road.

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PLOT TO BLOW UP PARLIAMENT REVEALED BY HOME SECRETARY

London, To-day.

Details of I.R.A. terrorist activities were given by Sir Samuel Hoare, the Home Secretary, when he introduced the second reading of the Prevention of Violence Bill in the House of Commons yesterday.

Sir Samuel revealed that the police had seized 1,500 sticks of gelignite, 1,000 detonators, two tons of potassium chlorate and oxide, one ton seven gallons of sulphuric acid and 400 cwt of aluminium powder — enough to cause a million pounds worth of damage and "the loss of at least a thousand men and women."

The fact that more lives were not lost, he said, was due to Providence and the courageous action of the police.

Sir Samuel said that time after time the police had been baulked by the absence of power to search and control suspects whom they were convinced were terrorist leaders.

He added that he had reliable information that the I.R.A. campaign was being closely watched and actively stimulated by foreign organizations.

Nothing was less likely than these outrages to bring about the reconciliation without which a united Ireland is impossible.

127 OUTRAGES

Since January, there had been 127 outrages, of which 57 were in London and 70 in the provinces. Experience showed that the terrorism would be intensified, he went on, and if in August or September Britain was faced with war or an emergency, the danger of serious sabotage would be immeasurably increased.

Sir Samuel Hoare mentioned the preparation of a plan to blow up the House of Parliament and quoted from a "notorious plan" which aimed at organized terrorism from a general headquarters, particularly against Public Services.

He hoped the Bill would be only a necessary temporary measure, hence its currency was limited to two years.

DRASTIC ACTION

A search warrant could only be obtained under the Bill if there was evidence to convince a Magistrate that the suspect had explosives or fire-arms in his possession.

Emergency powers given the Superintendent of Police to make a search without a search warrant are based upon actual police experience of the astuteness of terrorists in rapidly changing residences.

Drastic action was necessary and the Bill must be passed quickly, but Government was prepared to consider impartially any proposal to improve it, providing the final form gives executive and police effective powers to deal in a grave emergency with cases of suspicion in which legal proceedings were not applicable.

FOREIGN AID

Mr. Arthur Greenwood (Labour), for the Opposition, regretted the events which called for new executive powers. He sympathised with a kind of united Ireland but the minority had chosen a method which would defeat their object—such action was completely indefensible and was repugnant to British public opinion.

He thought there was a serious danger of sabotage in factories manufacturing the means of defence and asked whether or not there was the probability that this technique might be used in war-time.

Adverting to Sir Samuel Hoare's guarded reference to "foreign powers," Mr. Greenwood said that if this be a veiled, indirect aggression, the situation becomes even more serious.

ALARMING PROPOSALS

Labourites would not oppose the second reading of the Bill, although in some respects they were not satisfied with it. Some of its proposals were somewhat alarming. They had had the experience of the Official Secrets Act being passed for one purpose and later shamefully used for other purposes.

He thought it wrong to give powers of detention without a charge being made in an unspecified period.

Sir Hugh O'Neill (Conservative) declared that the Eire Government recently enacted more drastic legislation than this Bill.

Mr. Dingle Foot (Liberal) thought nobody could quarrel with the aim of the Bill but even the gravity of the circumstances could not altogether justify some provisions.

He said that it removed safeguards for innocent persons. He said:—

"Let us have an opportunity for an accused man to know what charges he has to meet and make his defence. Expulsion orders should come under periodical review." — Reuter.

LARGE MAJORITY

London, To-day.

The House of Commons last evening adopted the second reading of the Prevention of Violence Bill by 218 votes to 17. — Reuter.

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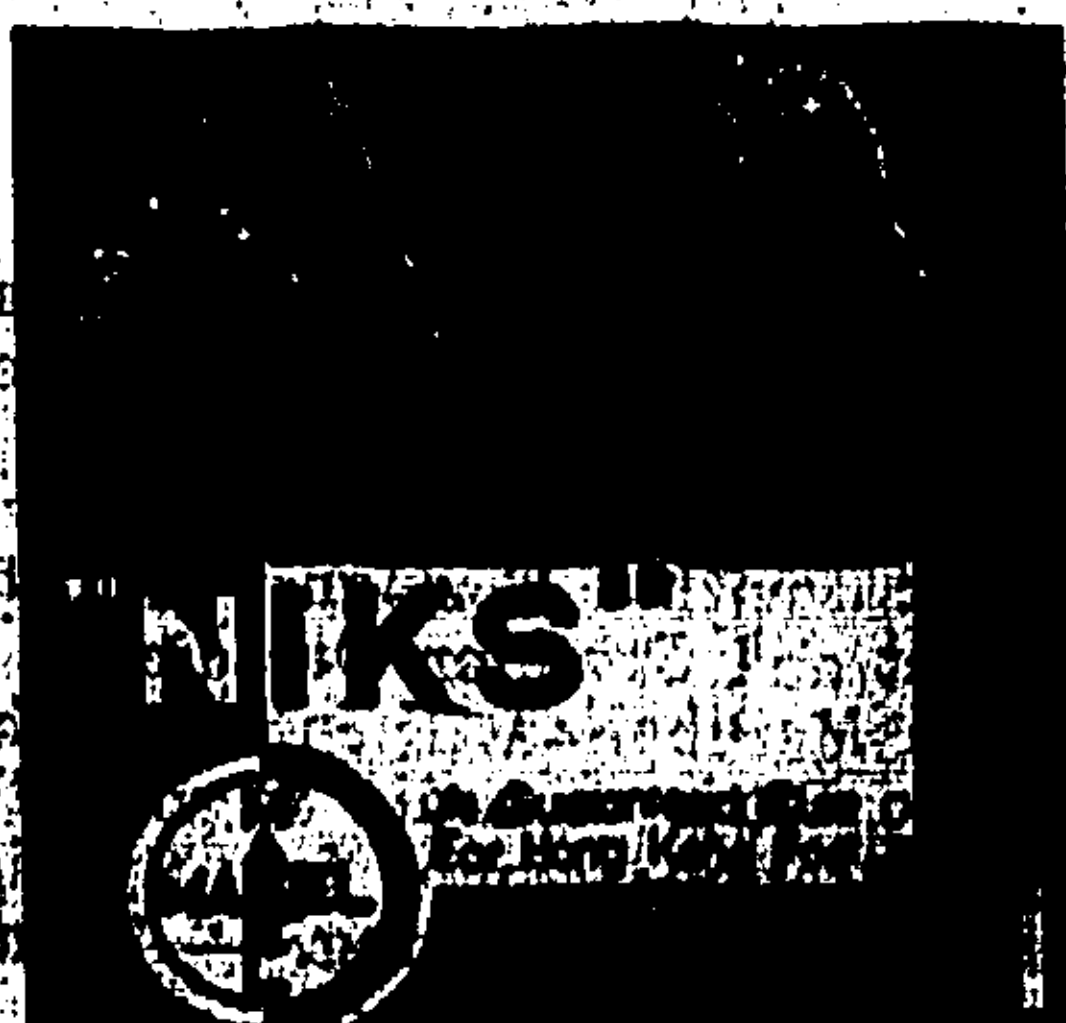
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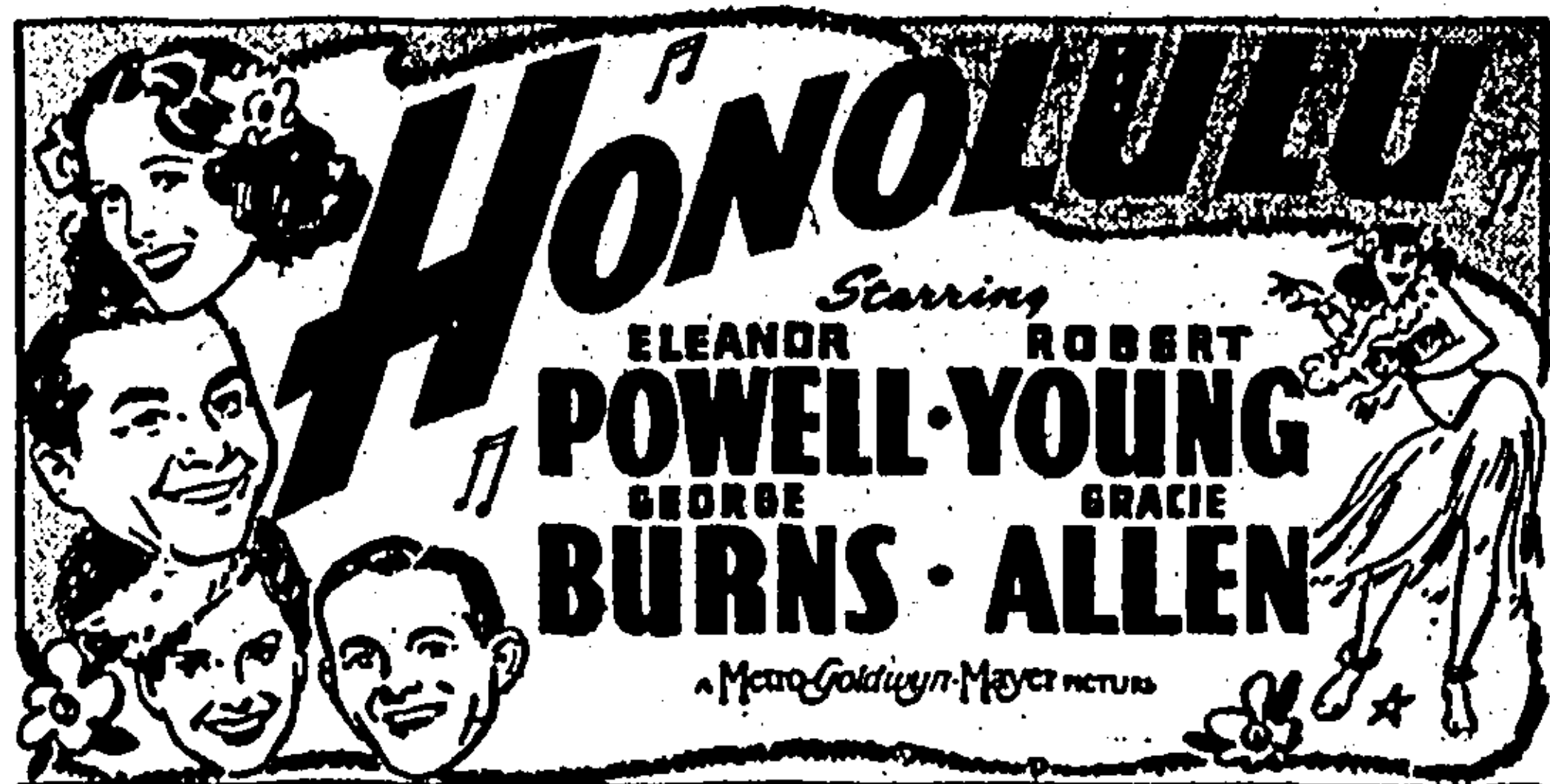


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CHOPPER ATTACK IN KOWLOON

Two men are lying in the Kowloon Hospital, seriously wounded, and another man is in police custody as a result of an attack on them in the early hours of this morning. The two injured men, Chau Sam, shop-keeper, and Chau Sum-cheun accountant, and the arrested man, Wah Tung-lun, a foid, all lived in a shop on the ground floor of 7, Peking Road.

Wah Tung-lun was discharged three days ago, but continued to live there. At 3 a.m. to-day, it is alleged, he attacked the other two with a chopper, inflicting severe multiple wounds to their heads, arms and body.

Sergeant Hewitt, on charge-room

ARMS CHARGE

Chan Tim, 23, electrician, and Fong Pang, 18, unemployed, were charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning, with unlawful possession of a revolver and five rounds of ammunition at Belchers' Street and No. 177 Main Street East, Shau-kiwan, respectively.

The case was adjourned till 2.30 p.m. this afternoon.

Detective Inspector O'Donovan is in charge of the case.

duty at the police station near the shop, heard police whistles and, on running out, saw the foid fleeing down the street. He chased him into a garden, where he arrested the man.

BRITISH INDUSTRIALISTS INTERESTED IN HUDSON LOAN PLAN

London, To-day.

After the statement of the Prime Minister in the House of Commons yesterday on "Robert Hudson's plan" for British credit to Germany, the London press this morning is divided as to whether or not the "incident" is to be considered closed.

The "Daily Express" writes that it depended on Berlin whether anything would come from the initiative of the Director of the Department of Overseas Trade. The next steps must be taken by Germany.

The "Daily Mail" declares that what might have led to a useful exchange of opinions had been dealt with so inaptly and indiscreetly that it was now bound to fail.

The "Daily Telegraph," which at first attributed the greatest possible significance to the credit plan, published only a very short commentary in which the initiative of Mr. Hudson is now described as of no concern.

LEFT WING IRONY

With reference to the commentaries, a Continental press paper declares that they constitute proof that the conversation between Herr Wohltat and Mr. Hudson was considered in some quarters to be of much greater importance than seemed justified in view of the Prime Minister's statement in the House of Commons.

The Left Wing press is rather ironical in its commentaries.

The Liberal "News Chronicle" speaks of the "absurdity" of the plan which was certain to be rejected with contumely by Hitler. Unfortunately, the plan had not been devised by Mr. Hudson alone, but several English industrialists had taken an active interest in drawing it up.

OFFICIAL OR PRIVATE?

The "Daily Herald" calls the Prime Minister's statement inconsistent and declares that the vital question of whether Mr. Hudson had spoken in his official capacity or in a private capacity had not yet been elucidated.

The paper emphatically expresses the opinion that the Director of the Department of Overseas Trade could not possibly have made suggestions of such a character without the Cabinet's knowledge.

It was certain last night, in consequence of the semi-official statement, that contrary to many rumours Mr. Hudson will not resign.—Trans-Ocean.

NAZI STATEMENT

Berlin, To-day.

The interview given to London newspapers by Mr. Robert Hudson concerning a plan which he submitted to the German economic expert, Dr. Wohltat, has resulted in a German statement.

Trans-Ocean is authorised to say that nothing in the nature of a "plan" was discussed. The conversation which took place was in the nature of a purely private exchange of views on economic questions and was not arranged at the initiative of Herr Wohltat.—Trans-Ocean.

The third Luncheon Meeting of the Sino-American Institute will be held at 12.45 p.m. on Friday, July 28, at the Hong Kong Hotel. General Wu Te-shen is to be the guest of honour.

CORRESPONDENCE

ANGLO-JAPANESE AGREEMENT

Sir,—The following clause appears in the German (Trans-Ocean) News Agency version of the Anglo-Japanese preliminary agreement:—"The British Government has recognized, at the same time, the necessity of refraining from all actions which are detrimental to Japanese troops and likely to help the anti-Japanese Chinese."

Your Chinese readers, who must have been extremely offended by the words in italics, will be pleased to learn that this clause does not appear in either the official British or Japanese version of the agreement.

F. W.

NEW INTERNMENT CAMP TO COST \$120,000

A supplementary vote for \$120,000 for construction of the new camp for Chinese interned soldiers in Colony, will come before the Finance Committee of Legislative Council on Thursday.

The new camp is to be erected on the Mental Hospital site in Argyle Street for housing interned Chinese soldiers whose present quarters at Ma Tau Chung will then become available for destitute woman and children.

The actual vote to Government will be offset by a sum of approximately \$80,000 (Chinese National \$200,000) which has been subscribed by the Chinese National Relief Commission towards the amount required for the erection of the camp.

MARSHAL PETAIN RETURNS

Paris, To-day.

Marshal Petain, French Ambassador to Spain, arrived at Perpignan last evening on his way to Paris where, it is stated, he will confer with Foreign Minister Bonnet and Premier Daladier.

The Marshal will interrupt his trip to Paris in order to visit the concentration camps for Spanish refugees this morning.—Trans-Ocean.

MR. HUDSON RAISES A PARLIAMENTARY STORM

Premier Pooh-Pooh's Report Of Loan To Nazis

London, To-day.

Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary for Overseas Trade, answered overseas trade questions in the House of Commons yesterday as usual, and was received with some ironical opposition cheers.

Mr. Arthur Greenwood (Labour) asked Mr. Chamberlain if he had any statement to make regarding the alleged loan proposals to the Nazi, Herr Wohltat.

The Prime Minister replied: "There is no proposal for a German loan."

Mr. Greenwood: "May I take it that the Cabinet has no knowledge whatsoever of the possibility of discussions of this kind, nor prompted them, and may I take it that there is no intention on the part of the British Government to begin discussions which might look like bribery to Hitler in order to buy peace?"

Mr. Chamberlain: "Yes, I can give an affirmative answer to both questions."

"We know nothing about these conversations, nor did any other Minister other than the Minister concerned, and it is not the intention of the British Government to initiate any discussions of the kind."

Asked who was responsible for disclosing the conversations, Mr. Chamberlain replied: "That is a question to which I should like very much to know the answer myself."

LORD HALIFAX'S DENIAL

Replying to similar questions in the House of Lords, the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, said that Herr Wohltat was on a visit to this country to attend the Whaling Conference, and it was in no sense unusual that he and Mr. Hudson should meet and discuss subjects "in which they are mutually interested."

Mr. Hudson had reported to him (Lord Halifax) that the conversations turned on steps which might be taken to produce an improvement in foreign trade, and here Mr. Hudson pointed out to Herr Wohltat that solution of political questions was a necessary preliminary to removing existing barriers.

ONLY PERSONAL VIEW

These discussions led on to economic questions and of discussion of financial steps which might have to be taken to overcome the initial difficulties.

Mr. Hudson, who throughout emphasised that he was expressing "only his personal view," said he thought that assuming international confidence was restored, there should be scope for co-operation on this matter.

It would be seen, said Lord Halifax, that there was no justification whatever for stating that these remarks arising from an unofficial conversation constituted a proposal for a loan to Germany.—Reuter.

NOT TO RESIGN

London, To-day.
Reuter's lobby correspondent un-

derstands that there is no question of Mr. Hudson resigning.—Reuter.

"NO PARTICULAR HARM"

London, To-day.

Mr. Ernest Shinwell (Labour) asked in the House of Commons yesterday if Mr. Chamberlain thought it desirable that a member of the Government, although not in the Cabinet, should engage in conversations without some preliminary guidance from the Government.

Mr. Shinwell also asked for a categorical denial that no highly placed official had had conversations with Herr Wohltat.

Mr. Chamberlain replied: "I do not see that any particular harm was done in this particular conversation."

SIR HORACE AGAIN

"It was a personal conversation between Mr. Hudson and a German official. The mischief, if mischief there was, was in disclosure of what took place to the newspapers. As to the second part of the question, I suppose this is a repetition of the usual attacks on Sir Horace Wilson (Economic Adviser to the Government)."

"Sir Horace has frequently seen Herr Wohltat but he did not discuss with him any of the matters to which I have alluded." — Reuter.

CHINESE TAKE SHANSI TOWN

Loyang, To-day.

Fighting in south-east Shansi is still centred around Tsincheng and Yangcheng.

The Japanese are pouring reinforcements there from Tsinshui, north-west of Yangcheng. More than 600 Japanese were shifted there on July 22.

Chinese units launched an attack on the Japanese at Changchichwang in the vicinity of Yangcheng on the night of July 21. Following a severe encounter, they re-occupied the town. Fighting is now in progress near Litsun.

A part of some 2,000 Japanese reinforcements for Tsincheng have been intercepted by Chinese forces at Changchichwang, on the east bank of the Tai River. — Central News.

REASONABLE POSSIBILITY OF SALVAGE

London, To-day.

There is a reasonable possibility of salvaging the Thetis, declared Captain A. U. M. Hudson, Civil Lord of the Admiralty, in the House of Commons yesterday. Capt. Hudson thought it would be generally agreed that operations should continue in order that the fullest information be available as to the cause of the accident.—Reuter.

CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE STATEMENT

London, To-day.

The China Campaign Committee has issued a statement "denouncing as undeniable the betrayal of China, now heroically defending her national independence and territorial integrity."

Concerning the formula agreed with the Japanese Government as announced by the Prime Minister in the House of Commons, the statement adds:—

"Britain's word is pledged to observe the terms and obligations of the Nine Power Treaty and the League of Nations' resolution calling on its member states to give material assistance to China; to take no action which would weaken her power of resistance; and not to recognise any situation brought about by force."

"Only by standing fast to these obligations can Britain preserve her honour and avoid becoming an accomplice in aggression." — Reuter.

BRITON ARRESTED IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, To-day.

Fu Siao-en, Japanese-appointed mayor of Greater Shanghai, made a direct challenge to the Shanghai Municipal Council when his bodyguards arrested one Briton, one Russian and 125 Chinese overseers and coolies belonging to the Council's Public Works Department.

The arrests were made in Japanese-occupied territory where refuse from the Settlement was being dumped.

Twenty-five P.W.D. lorries were also seized.

Fu Siao-en contended that the Council had no right to dump refuse in territory under his jurisdiction without his authorisation.—Reuter.

WHY SOVIET RUSSIA HESITATES

A direct accusation of "rape and conquest in Eastern Europe" is levelled at Germany by a former Premier of Poland, General Wladislaw Sikorski, who also served as Chief of Staff at one time.

"Germany," he warned in a signed article in the "Kurjer Warszawski," "has not renounced her plans of rape and conquest in Eastern Europe because she wishes later to have her hands free in the West."

General Sikorski made his accusation in an analysis of Soviet Russia's present policy in relation to France and Great Britain, and the possible effects of a tripartite mutual aid pact on the Soviet Comintern policy.

He emphasized that the fortification of German Baltic ports was directed mainly at Soviet Russia and he outlined the Baltic nations' position in face of the threat of German hegemony.

"It is forcefully brought home," he wrote, "that a joint barrage of resistance must be set up against the Reich's aggressive designs. Germany's eyes are immutably fixed on the exhaustible natural riches of Russia. This is a fact that merits close reflection by the Kremlin."

"I do not understand Soviet Russia's hesitations in making negotiations drag with London and Paris, whose fundamental importance to the U.S.S.R. is striking."

MOSCOW'S SPECIAL PROBLEMS

"Still, I understand that Russia must take a decision weighty with consequences for her future."

"Moscow knows that if it concludes an accord with Paris and London, it will be compelled to break definitely with her policy of Rapallo (treaty which stabilized Soviet-German relations after the Great War) and even renounce Comintern action affecting the Democratic Powers. It is inconceivable that, after signing a pact with France and Britain, Russia would still think of pursuing subversive action against the internal union and military strength of countries allied to herself."

"That is why Moscow is hesitating and thinking things over. Before concluding a pact that will so profoundly influence her foreign policy, and perhaps her home policy, too, M. Stalin would like to see himself assured of advantages to more than compensate for the role that Russia would have to play after signing the agreement," General Sikorski concluded. — Havas.

PUBLIC OPINION AGAINST JAPAN

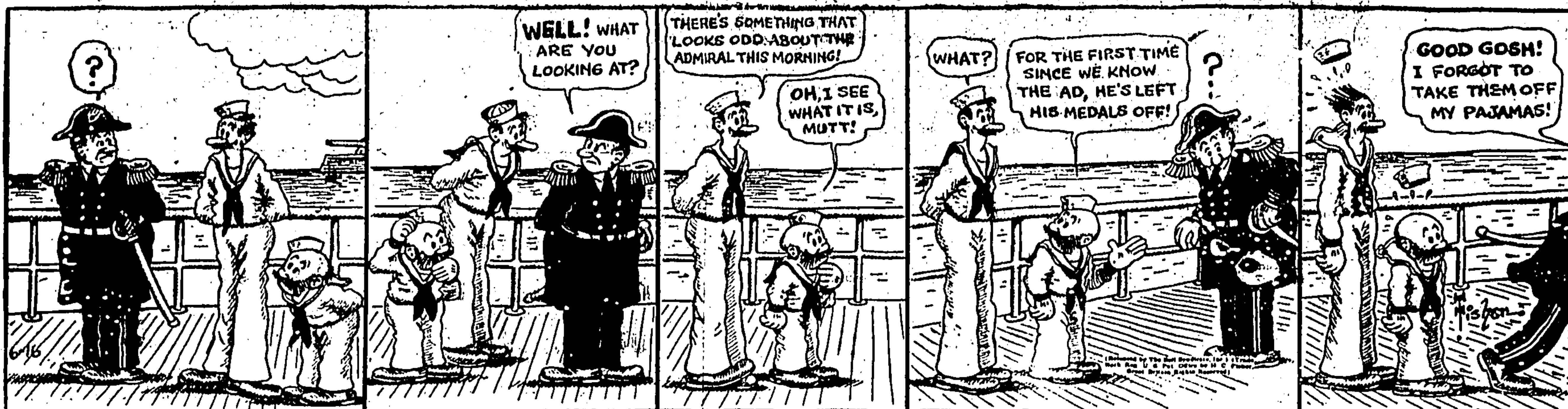
London, To-day.

The "News Chronicle" gives prominence to the results of a survey of public opinion in Britain and the United States.

The survey shows that 69 per cent in Britain and 57 per cent in the United States are in favour of strong action against Japanese aggression in China.—Reuter.

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NO JUSTIFICATION
FOR MISGIVINGS OVER
TOKYO NEGOTIATIONS

London, To-day.

Claims have been made in Tokyo that a resounding triumph has been scored for the "New Order in Asia" and the press in Berlin has gleefully emphasized the "supposed humiliation" of Britain, declares the "Daily Telegraph."

The paper adds that these are unfortunate but inevitable examples of the new technique of diplomacy by tirade overlapping sober negotiation.

Although there have been certain misgivings lest perhaps these tales of the British "surrender" might be true, there is no justification for them in the official statement or in Mr. Chamberlain's brief commentary on it.

From the Japanese press and the spokesman for the Japanese Army, it appears that various suggestions had been put forward in the negotiations which would certainly be not acceptable to this country.

preliminary further talks it has been agreed to make explicit the British recognition of the Japanese invasion.

This recognition, however, implies as an important component, realisation of the strength of Chinese resistance. — Reuter.

NAZI RADIO
PROPAGANDA
AGAINST BRITAIN

London, To-day.

Answering a common question the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, said: "It is unfortunately true that much propaganda of an anti-British nature is published in the German Arabic broadcasts, and much inaccurate information, especially regarding Palestine, but they do not appear to contain any direct incitement to violence."

Mr. Butler added that the B.B.C. had broadcast denials of the worst of these allegations, which were fundamentally untrue, but he did not think that a direct approach to Germany would be likely to achieve desirable results. — British Wireless.

JAPS. SURROUNDED
AT CHAOAN

Liuhuang, Kwangtung, To-day.

The Japanese troops at Chaoan (Chaochow) are reported to be surrounded by the Chinese.

One hundred Japanese reinforcements dispatched from Swatow to Ampow, a small town about seven miles north of Swatow, in eight steam launches on Sunday were intercepted and attacked by Chinese units. Two steam launches loaded with Japanese dead and wounded later returned to Swatow. — Central News.

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BRITISH CHINA POLICY NOT CHANGED BY TOKYO

Mr. Chamberlain's Emphatic Statement In Commons

London, To-day.

Several questions on the Tokyo negotiations were asked in the House of Commons last evening following Mr. Neville Chamberlain's statement on the agreement reached between Sir Robert Craigie and Mr. Arita.

In all cases it was emphasised for the Government that the developments in the Tokyo talks did not signify any change in British policy towards China.

Asking a supplementary question, Mr. Ernest Shinwell (Labour) suggested that the Premier's statement on Tokyo meant that His Majesty's Government had now definitely taken the side of Japan.

The suggestion was received with a loud "No" from the Conservative benches.

"The declaration does not and cannot change the British Government's policy to China," declared the Prime Minister later, when replying to Mr. Arthur Greenwood (Labour).

CONFINED TO TIENTSIN

In an answer regarding the £2,500,000 worth of Chinese silver held in the British Concession in Tientsin, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, said the Japanese had never formulated any proposals regarding its disposal.

The Prime Minister also personally gave an assurance that the Tokyo negotiations would be confined to the Tientsin issue, and denied that the concessions at Tokyo constituted de facto recognition of Japanese sovereignty over Chinese territory now under Japanese military control.—Reuter.

SELF-EVIDENT

London, To-day.

The Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, after making an identical statement in the House of Lords as Mr. Chamberlain in the House of Commons on the formula agreed upon in the Tientsin discussions, declared that during the conversations leading to the agreement it was understood:—

Firstly, that the Japanese Government did not intend to preclude His Majesty's Government from making representations in any cases that might arise, and

Secondly, His Majesty's Government made it clear that in their view nothing in the formula affected the position and obligations of other Powers, which view was considered by both parties to be self-evident.

ANTI-BRITISH AGITATION

Lord Halifax revealed that Sir Robert Craigie had represented to the Japanese Government the great importance of discouraging press recriminations and exaggerated claims, "which can only prejudice the result of the negotiations on the local issues now about to open."

Sir Robert Craigie had also made strong representations on the subject of anti-British agitation.

It is to be anticipated, concluded

INTENSIFYING ANTI-BRITISH MOVEMENT

PEIPING, TO-DAY.

THE JAPANESE AUTHORITIES IN NORTH CHINA ARE STEADILY INTENSIFYING THE ANTI-BRITISH MOVEMENT.

The Hsin Min-hui party has instructed all its branches in North China to intensify the spread of anti-British films, the display of posters and cartoons and the boycotting of British goods.

Japanese reports from Tsinanfu, Shantung, state that the "anti-British Committee" has notified 30 British firms that they must withdraw from Tsinan within 15 days.—Reuter.

MUKDEN TOO

Mukden, To-day.

Mukden yesterday afternoon witnessed Japanese-inspired anti-British demonstrations, in which White Russians participated.

Britons received consular orders to remain indoors during a large procession which carried anti-British banners.—Trans-Ocean.

Members of St. David's Society (H.K.) are reminded that reservation for the launch picnic to be held on August Bank Holiday, Monday, of August 7, should be forwarded to the Hon. Secretary as soon as possible in order to facilitate the necessary arrangements. The launch will leave Kowloon Police Pier at 2.15 p.m., and Queen's Pier at 2.30 p.m.

Lord Halifax, that as result of the agreement now reached this agitation will cease.

Meanwhile, Baron Hiranuma (the Japanese Premier) was reported to have said that the Japanese Government, now that they had fixed their policy, could control agitation not in accordance with it.—Reuter.

MAJOR CLEAN-UP IN HAIFA

Jerusalem, To-day.

Troops and police arrested 138 Arabs in the suburbs of Haifa yesterday in the course of a major clean-up.—Reuter.

MOONLIGHT RAID ON CHUNGKING

CHUNGKING, TO-DAY.

JAPANESE BOMBERS, FLYING IN TWO GROUPS, STAGED ANOTHER RAID ON CHINA'S WAR-TIME CAPITAL LAST EVENING IN BRILLIANT MOONLIGHT.

Twenty-seven Japanese planes took part in the bombing, circling over Chungking for an hour, and dropping a number of high explosive bombs, killing and wounding about fifty persons and starting several fires in the heart of the city.

Chinese pursuit planes engaged the raiders and a dog-fight took place over the outskirts of Chungking for 30 minutes.

Two Japanese planes were claimed by the Chinese to have been brought down during the dog-fight, and the raiders dropped about 100 bombs outside the city before returning to their base.

Details of the bombing have not yet been fully obtained.—Our Own Correspondent.

FOREIGNERS' ESCAPE

Reuter adds that the main localities attacked were the western suburbs and an area near the north bank of the Chialing River.

Several bombs landed in the vicinity of the French Embassy, the nearest one only 100 yards distant.

Big fires were started near the Chialing River, the flames lighting up the waterfront with a lurid glare. Several bombs landed in the river itself.

Reuter's temporary office in the western suburbs had a close escape from destruction when three bombs landed within 20 yards.

CHAMBERLAIN BLAMES SOVIET FOR DELAY

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister stated in the Commons regarding the Moscow negotiations that fresh instructions had been sent to the British Ambassador in Moscow, Sir William Seeds, on July 21.

A further meeting with M. Molotov was held on Sunday, but there had not yet been time to study Sir William Seeds' report on this meeting, as it had only just been received.

The Prime Minister was then pressed by the Opposition leaders to give an assurance that Parliament would not be adjourned until an agreement with Russia had been reached.

Mr. Chamberlain replied that the possibility of concluding an agreement with Russia did not lie only with His Majesty's Government.—British Wireless.

HONAN FIGHTING RENEWED

Loyang, To-day.

Fighting has been renewed in south Honan where two Japanese columns are converging on Minkang, about 24 miles north of Sinyang on the Peiping-Hankow Railway.

One column is driving from Changyitien, five miles east of Minkang and the other from Sincih, about eight miles south of Minkang.

Tanks are being utilised by the Japanese as the spearhead of their drive. Japanese planes have been bombing Minkang during the past two days.—Central News.

Luckily they were duds. One of them fell in a tennis court and the other two in a narrow lane leading to the house occupied by correspondents of other foreign news agencies.

Plaster fell to the floor of the house but there were no casualties among the correspondents.—Reuter.

Strong American Protest Over Hankow Incident

Washington, To-day.

The Navy Department announces that a strong protest has been lodged with Japanese officials against the manhandling of the naval warrant officer by a Japanese naval sentry in Hankow.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, declared that the Government was observing with some concern the increasing number of incidents between Japanese and Americans in China.

Mr. Cordell Hull simultaneously missionaries.

announced the settlement of two incidents involving four American police.—Reuter.

The missionaries had been assaulted by Japanese soldiers and police.—Reuter.



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DOUBLE THREAT

Delay in signing an agreement with Britain is now said to be due in part to Russia's desire to wait and see what happens in the Far East and Danzig.

From Moscow's point of view a purely Japanese threat could be met by Russian armies in the East without benefit of an alliance with Britain and France. But when such a threat is accompanied by signs of German pressure at Danzig, throughout the Baltic region and possibly elsewhere along the racial boundary where Slavs and Teutons meet, there exists a double menace to Russian interests which can best be checked by Russian adherence to a new triple entente. Likewise, as London watches Japanese encroachment on British interests in the Far East while Britain attempts to protect vital interests in Europe, the "bear that walks like a man" begins to stand out as an indispensable member of Europe's defensive community.

Early in the negotiations between Russia and Britain it was reported that Moscow was seeking a pledge of Anglo-French aid in the Far East as well as in Europe, but that the two western nations were unwilling to make commitments of this sort outside Europe. With new pressure on western interests by Japan in China may come a revised attitude on the part of London and Paris, if not toward Eastern pledges at least toward other problems which now seem to be postponing the completion of a triple entente.

Despite present delays in Anglo-Russian negotiations, this is a probability with which both Tokyo and Berlin must reckon. If these capitals time their diplomatic offensives as to create an appearance of premeditated collaboration, they will do their rivals the service of removing one of the obstacles which these rivals have confronted when attempting to reach complete agreement, namely, British apprehension that to sign up with Russia would push Japan into a German alliance. For if a German-Japanese alliance is recognised to exist in effect, postponement of a counter-alliance could not well be justified.

To prevent the crystallisation of a triple entente, therefore, Germany and Japan must forgo some of the advantages of the

double threat which they could make with impunity before that entente was favoured in London.

This is not to say that international crises are at an end, only that they will be less awesome to governments which are no longer unready to match the dynamic technique of the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo triangle with the defensive power of non-expansionist states bound in a common purpose.

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"Muang-Thai"

The intention, recently announced, of Siam to change its name to "Muang-Thai," "The Land of the Free," will, according to at least one authority, provide a problem for Westerners. For, it appears, such are the intricacies of the Siamese language, that the uninitiated, attempting to pronounce the new title, may with ease refer inadvertently to "The Land of the Long Purse," or "The Marsh of Those Who Creep Like Worms," not to mention even more derogatory possibilities.

Sympathy must certainly be given to the radio announcer in the Occident when Muang-Thai is in the news. He can hardly be expected to grasp these tonal and pronounciatory nuances so well that he will never filch the good name and leave the purse, or introduce serpents into this other Eden. While, if he attempts to render "The Land of the Free" in his native tongue, the result may be confusing; since there are still Westerners who might imagine a reference to their own country.

It looks as though the Siamese may be giving the world another white elephant; but at least one must congratulate them heartily on being able to pronounce themselves free.

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Englishmen in the Sun

If one may judge from letters recently written to the London Press by observant citizens, the ancient Scottish maxim,

Ne'er cast a clout
Till May be out,

is much too revolutionary for the average Englishman. For it appears that, whatever he may do on his holiday, the Englishman pursues his business, regardless of the month, in garments that a rising thermometer must render "the trappings and the suits of woe."

He has been remonstrated with often; but he remains stiff-necked about his stiff collar, hot-headed in retaining his bowler, and determined to stick to every possible stitch of his inappropriate clothing. So, he would make believe, June is for him "a legend emptied of concern."

His leaders, alas, set him the example. On a particularly hot day lately, it was noticed that not a single Peer in the House of Lords had discarded his waistcoat; and the ordinary man can not altogether be blamed if he is influenced by such vested interests. The only hope would seem to be that some Scots Lord may yet strike a shrewd blow, or give a clout, for his country's tradition, and appear, if not in the Garb of Old Gaul, at least in one better befitting Old Sol.

NO FAR EASTERN MUNICH--CHIANG

Chungking, To-day.

General Chiang Kai-shek has issued a lengthy statement expressing confidence that Britain, as much as she desires a peaceful settlement of the Tientsin dispute, can only make concessions such as will not conflict with China's interests or the provisions of the Nine-Power Pact.

At the same time, the Generalissimo emphasised that any understanding affecting China arrived at between Britain and Japan without the cognisance and approval of the Chinese Government, can have no validity whatever and can, in fact, never be put into effect.

The statement was made in an address at the weekly Memorial Service, but circulation was delayed owing to last night's Japanese air raid.

The Generalissimo expressed the conviction that there could be no question of a Far Eastern Munich.

"We cannot give any credence to the possibility that Britain is really compromising with Japan, who is no longer her Far Eastern ally of 20 years ago but rather a madman turning against his former benefactors.

UNTHINKABLE

"It is unthinkable that Britain should faithfully associate herself with Japanese aggression, and we refuse to pay attention to suggestions that this unbelievable change in face has taken place."

General Chiang Kai-shek gave an assurance that the Chinese Government would maintain the value of national currency and supply of foreign exchange for purposes of legitimate transactions.

CALM CONFIDENCE

The Generalissimo said that the fall in the currency would not impair China's ability for resistance as long as she laid up adequate stores of military material and set aside foreign exchange to meet the need for replenishment without the necessity of converting her gold reserves.

He concluded by stating that China relied upon herself to encompass the enemy's destruction, which was a task in which she was calmly confident. — Reuter.

Jap. Navy's Wartime Training

Tokyo, To-day.

THE combined Japanese fleet, together with another newly-organised fleet, will shortly begin special wartime training, announced the Navy Minister, Admiral Yonai, yesterday.

Referring to the talks between Sir Robert Craigie and Mr. Arita, Admiral Yonai issued a warning to Japan "against assuming that British policy in the Far East has changed entirely as result of the talks."

Admiral Yonai declared it

CHINESE PROTEST IN LONDON

London, To-day.
The Chinese Ambassador, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, saw the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, yesterday afternoon to enquire the exact situation, and to protest against possible concessions in North China prejudicial to the Chinese cause.—Reuter.

was necessary to watch the British attitude towards individual questions, including currency. — Reuter.

JAP. BARBARITY IN KWANGTUNG

Liuhuang, Kwangtung, To-day.

A grim sight was seen by the Chinese troops who re-entered Tenghai, at the entrance of the Han River in east Kwangtung 12 miles north-east of Swatow, on July 22.

More than 100 headless bodies of men and women were found in the premises of the Tenghai Middle School. They are believed to have been decapitated by the Japanese during their occupation of the town.—Central News.

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FRENCH SUPPORT OF THE TOKYO AGREEMENT

"LE TEMPS" GIVES OFFICIAL VIEW

Paris, To-day.

Considerable interest in the Anglo-Japanese agreement at Tokyo is expressed by the French press.

While Left Wing newspapers strongly attack the agreement, Right Wing journals support it, but consider that it is necessary to produce arguments to justify it.

For example, "Le Temps," which generally expresses the official opinion, declares it has been the strategy of the totalitarian Powers to obtain the adhesion of Japan to the Rome-Berlin Axis so as to paralyse the Democratic Powers in the West.

RESIGNATION OF BRITISH CONSUL

London, To-day.

The British Consul-General at Tangier, Mr. Edward Atlis Keeling, has resigned and will be succeeded by the first secretary of the British Legation in Budapest, Mr. A. D. C. Gascone.

Reasons for Mr. Keeling's resignation are not revealed but questions of his alleged pro-Italian attitude have been repeatedly made in the House of Commons although they were always denied by the Government.

The report that Mr. Keeling at the time of his appointment three years ago was declared to be a Fascist has likewise been categorically denied.—Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH AID FOR TURKEY

London, To-day.

British experts will visit Alexandretta in the near future to work out plans for modernisation of the harbour and construction of naval and air bases.

Alexandretta has just been taken over by Turkey from France.—Trans-Ocean.

ACCUSED NEWSMAN DIES IN GAOL

Paris, To-day.

Julien Poirier, former publicity chief of the newspaper "Figaro," who was arrested a fortnight ago on a charge of espionage, died on Sunday night at the military hospital, according to "Figaro."

Soon after his arrest, the paper says, Poirier underwent an operation which he survived for only a few days.—Trans-Ocean.

AMBASSADOR

London, To-day.

Sir Lancelot Oliphant, Deputy Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, has been appointed Ambassador in Brussels and Minister to Luxembourg.—Reuter.

This menace is definitely set aside by the friendly settlement at Tokyo.

The paper adds that to prevent Japan falling into a military alliance with the totalitarians justifies sacrifices and principles. "CAPITULATION"

Meanwhile reaction to the Tokyo talks both in Berlin and Rome follows the assumption that Britain has capitulated.

"Nachtausgabe," the Nazi journal, declares that in all future negotiations Britain will have to yield step by step unless she wants to have recourse to warlike action.

In Rome, Fascist political circles are of opinion that if the negotiations continue as they have begun, it will mean the start of British withdrawal from the Far East.—Reuter.

GERMAN VIEW

Berlin, To-day.

Germany sees in the Anglo-Japanese agreement concluded at Tokyo an event of outstanding importance designed to affect political developments in all parts of the world, according to the general tone of German newspaper comments.

It is held in Berlin that Japan has scored a big success over Britain as the nature of the agreement will go far to eliminate British influence in the Far East, apart from striking a severe blow at British prestige.

German political circles however express scepticism regarding the British intentions in entering upon the agreement, contending that Britain is merely playing for time and will attempt to regain her lost position in the Far East as soon as an improvement in the European situation enables her to carry out a redistribution of her forces.

FURTHER FRICTION

It is however taken for granted here that these factors are fully known to the Japanese who, it is presumed—partly on the strength of the statements made by Premier Hiranuma on Sunday—will demand with growing insistence during the coming months the withdrawal of Britain from China.

This, the German commentators declare, is bound to lead to further friction which is already indicated by the contradiction inherent in the statements made by the British and Japanese Premiers.—Trans-Ocean.

A 26-year-old shop faki Kung Kau, has reported the loss of a case of cigarettes valued at \$140 from a lorry yesterday.

BOMB OUTRAGE IN BEIRUT

Beirut, To-day.

Six Jews were killed in the Jewish quarter of Beirut yesterday when a bomb was thrown from a car.—Reuter.

MR. FARLEY IN CONFERENCE WITH PRES. ROOSEVELT

Washington, To-day.

A conference between President Roosevelt and the Postmaster-General, Mr. James Farley, is in progress at Mr. Roosevelt's country seat at Hyde Park to discuss the question of Mr. Roosevelt's standing for a third term as President.

Newspapers point out that Mr. Farley, who is the leader of the Democratic Party and manager for the presidential election campaign, demands clearness about Mr. Roosevelt's attitude towards a third presidential term.

Mr. Farley is to leave this week for Europe and will visit London, Paris and Warsaw.—Trans-Ocean.

POLISH LOAN DEMANDS GRANTED

London, To-day.

The Polish demands as regards the application of a British loan have been granted, it is reported by the "Daily Express," the British Government having consented to Poland's using a part of the loan to make purchases outside of England.

According to the paper both the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, and the Prime Minister advocated adoption of the Polish standpoint, their grounds being that the loan must be regarded from the political rather than from the commercial point of view.—Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH OFFICER CONVICTED

Paris, To-day.

An officer of the French Army whose name is not mentioned was sentenced to 10 years' penal servitude by a Court Martial at Besancon yesterday, after being convicted of a charge of espionage.

The convicted officer is to suffer military degradation and will be expelled from France for 10 years.—Trans-Ocean.

THETIS SALVAGE

London, To-day.

A conference between the Admiralty and salvage experts to discuss the next stage of salvage of the submarine Thetis will be held at the Admiralty on Thursday this week.—Reuter.

CHUNGKING BLOCKS NOTES IN JAP. HANDS

Chungking, To-day.

On hearing a week ago that Japan intended to convert large amounts of North China bank notes into foreign exchange, the Shanghai note-issuing banks on their own responsibility refused to accept such notes.

Thereupon the Chungking Government instructed these banks yesterday to accept such notes in Shanghai against payment of the countervalue in Chungking or other places under the control of the Chungking government.

In this way the Chungking government hopes to block the notes in the hands of the Japanese government without Chinese holders of such notes suffering any loss.

This measure is connected with the announcement that the second half of the \$600,000,000 Reconstruction Loan will be issued on August 1.

It is stated here in Chinese circles that this issue shows the determination of the Chungking Government to continue the fight against Japan with all means at its command.—Trans-Ocean.

REARMAMENT IN AUSTRALIA

Canberra, To-day.

The creation of an Industrial Advisory Panel, the duty of which will be to assist Government in tasks of re-armament, was decided on by the Federal Government yesterday.

The Australian Government thus follows the example of the British Government, which created a similar council at the end of last year.

The Federal Government explained that the delay which the re-armament programme has suffered in New South Wales and in other states had made the formation of such an advisory panel of experts desirable.—Trans-Ocean.

KING ZOG

Oslo, To-day.

King Zog of Albania, who is staying in the Norwegian capital with his wife, will leave Norway for Paris in the course of the next few days.

The King, however, plans to return to Norway in a few months' time to visit the western part of the country.—Trans-Ocean.

Mr. F. C. Yeung, of No. 4, Conduit Road, has reported the loss of a camera and clothing to the value of \$494.60 from motor car No. 2210 in Nathan Road near Saigon Street yesterday.

Au Shu, residing at No. 62, Percival Street, has reported that between midnight and 4.30 a.m. yesterday, his house was entered through an open window, and six sewing machine heads to the value of \$210 were stolen.

News Snack Bar

LUCKIEST SCHOOLBOYS GET PRIZES IN CASH

Luckiest school children in England are those at the Cliffe endowed school near Stamford, Lincs. Every year cash prizes instead of books are awarded to boys and girls with the best examination results.

Prize money this year amounted to £30, and twenty-one children received "bonuses."

MAGICIAN AGED 107

Fano Fortunata, world's oldest magician, is 107. And his assistant is his daughter, who is a mere eighty. They are still touring Italy, earning a few lire by card tricks at inns.

But their best bit of "magic" is their own activity.

This scheme was instituted in 1889, when it was stipulated that cash prizes should be awarded.

Between £30 and £40 is generally awarded, while a further £10 goes to the assistance of pupils who have gained secondary school scholarships.

Among other lucky schoolchildren this year were twenty-five whom the French Government invited to the Revolution — in Paris, July 10-16. All the children chosen had a knowledge of the French language.

TAKING SADNESS FROM FUNERALS

American undertakers are experimenting with colour as a psychological factor in funerals. John Eberle, vice-president of the National Funeral Directors' Association, contends that black emphasises the emotional depression that normally cloaks burials. Light greys and pastel colours are being used in some services to find out if they relieve instead of aggravate this emotional strain.

DRESS REFORM FOR REPTON

Dress reform for Repton schoolboys was announced by Headmaster H. G. M. Clarke, at Speech Day. He said the governors had agreed to the abolition of the black tailcoat and striped trousers. The furtive "enveloping" of boys for visits outside in mackintoshes, even on the hottest days, had confirmed his opinion that the dress was neither popular, nor suitable.

WOMEN EMPLOYED TO TRAP BUTCHERS

Women agents are being employed to trap butchers who offend the law.

That came out when Sydney Boaler, butcher, was summoned for selling meat with no indication that it was foreign at Whitton-road, Hounslow. He pleaded not guilty, and the Bench dismissed the case on the ground that there was an element of doubt.

Mrs. S. J. Pugh, prosecuting for the Middlesex County Council, called evidence that Boaler sold Argentine steak to two women who were acting as agents for the Council. They had asked for English steak.

Mrs. Emma Chubb, one of the women, cross-examined by Mr. D. A. Scott-Cairns, defending, said that the Council paid her five shillings for a morning's work once a week. She might make as many as twelve calls during the morning and she was paid an extra five shillings for attending the police court when there was a prosecution.

Mr. F. H. Reeman, M. C. C. inspector, cross-examined, said that the object of the Council was to make the women agents appear as much like typical English housewives as possible.

NO APPEAL TO LOSERS

French bridge players are being urged to devote 10 per cent of their winnings to the purchase of military aeroplanes. The plane is to be named, "Ace of Hearts."



Instruction in physical training, swimming and community singing are given free to children at the Swanscombe Swimming Bath in Kent. Mr. J. T. Cahalane, Hon. Instructor of the Royal Life Saving Society and ex-Naval Physical Training, Boxing and Swimming Instructor, teaches the youngsters. Photo shows Mr. Cahalane leading the kiddies.

FARWELL TO BISHOP OF LONDON

A great farewell to the Bishop of London on his retirement after fifty years' service to London—the last thirty-eight of them as Bishop will take place in the Albert Hall. The Archbishop of Canterbury will preside.

FILM PRICES DOWN AGAIN

To-day prices for films for ordinary camera use are back to what they were before Budget Day. The decision was taken by leading manufacturers following the Chancellor of the Exchequer's announcement in the Commons that the tax on photographic materials is to be dropped.

Pastor Martin Niemoeller, head of the Confessional section of the German Evangelical Church, who is in a concentration camp near Berlin, has had his salary stopped by the church authorities and is to receive a pension equal to half his former income.

SALMON DEAL OFF

No Government action will be needed in Japan's proposed \$1,750,000 tinned salmon deal with Britain. The Japanese agents in London have decided that there is practically no possibility of this surplus being shipped here now, it is stated.

"Food Industries Weekly", commenting on the deal, says: "We would also point out to his Majesty's Government that into Britain every year come 71,000 cwts. of canned pilchards, while in Cornwall the pilchard fisheries are starved for lack of a market."

STEEL OUTPUT JUMPS

The big developments which occurred in the various departments of the iron and steel trades between 1935 and 1937 are shown in a report of an Import Duties Act inquiry. Aggregate totals were:—

	1937	1935
Gross output	£420,574,000	£280,585,000
Net output	£168,516,000	£116,508,000
Average men employed	685,651	539,270

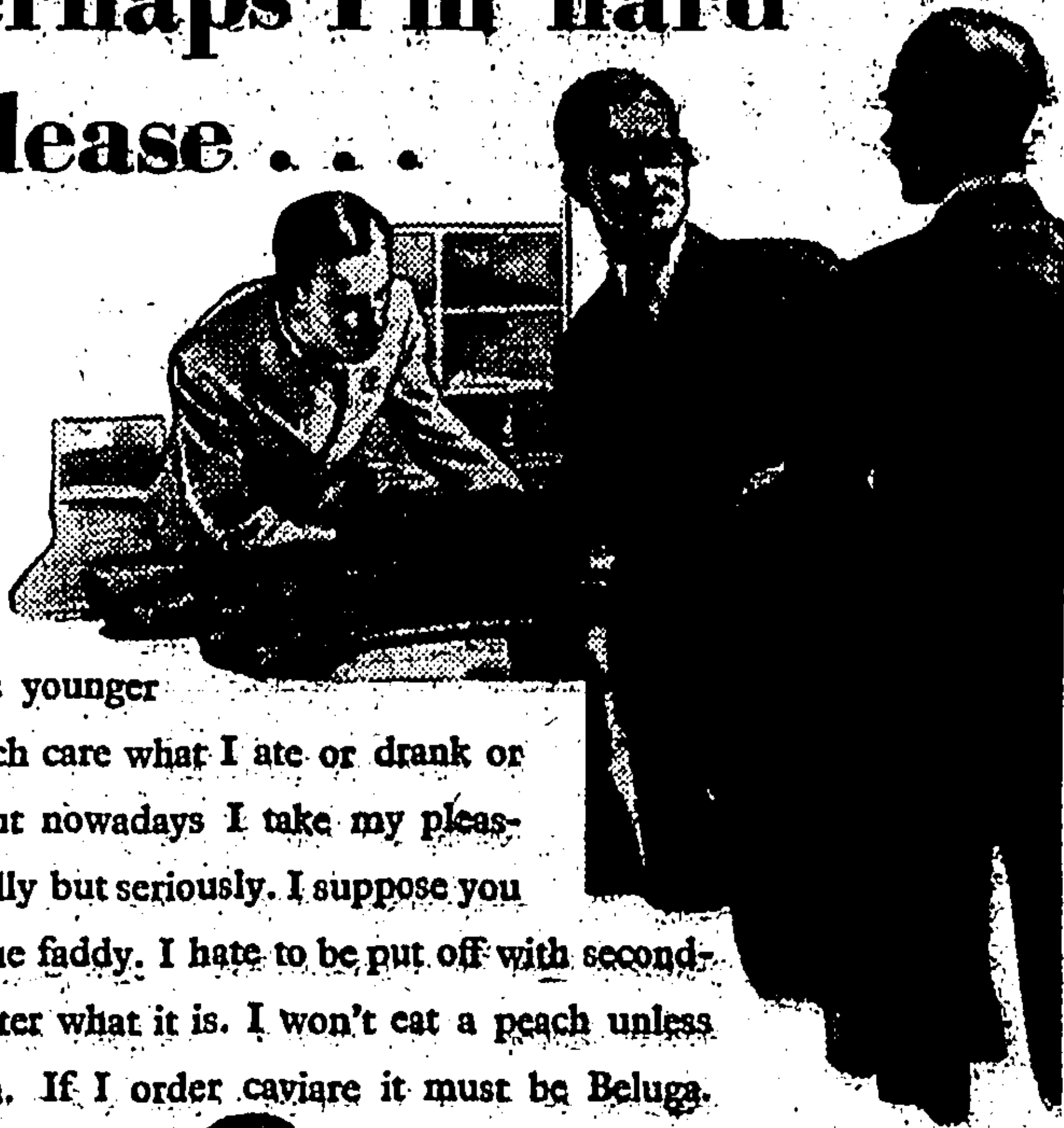
PREMIER'S GAMP CREATES BOOM

Mr. Chamberlain's much-publicised umbrella has had an encouraging effect on the Bombay umbrella market. The rush for umbrellas which yearly accompanies the breaking of the monsoon rains has this year been larger than usual. A dealer said the increased business is partially due to Mr. Chamberlain's umbrella. "From it people had acquired 'umbrella sense,'" he added.



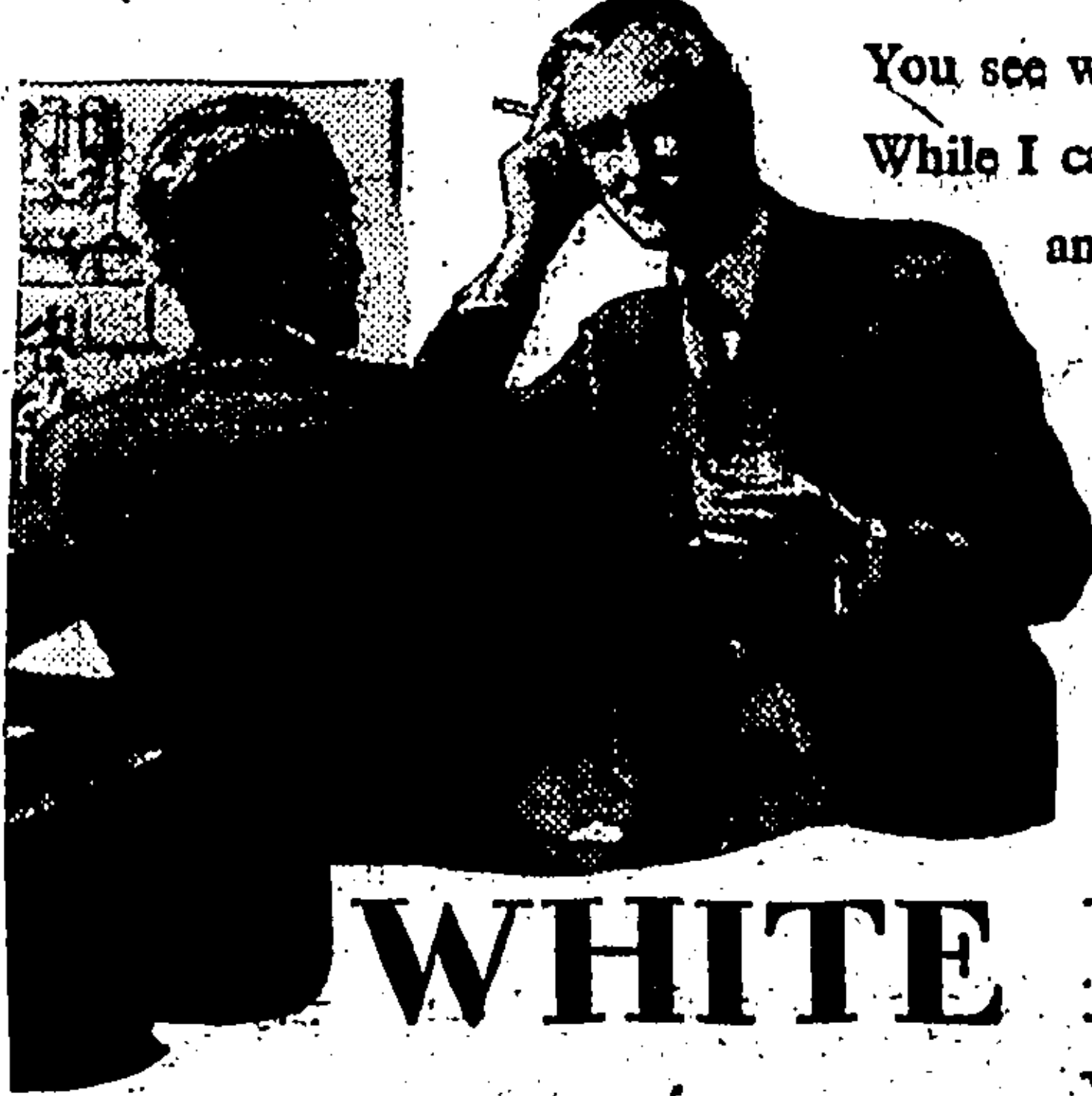
Maidenly grace illustrated by the schoolgirl ballet dancers at North London school.

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to please . . .



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I didn't much care what I ate or drank or smoked. But nowadays I take my pleasures, not sadly but seriously. I suppose you would call me faddy. I hate to be put off with second-best, no matter what it is. I won't eat a peach unless it is English. If I order caviare it must be Beluga.



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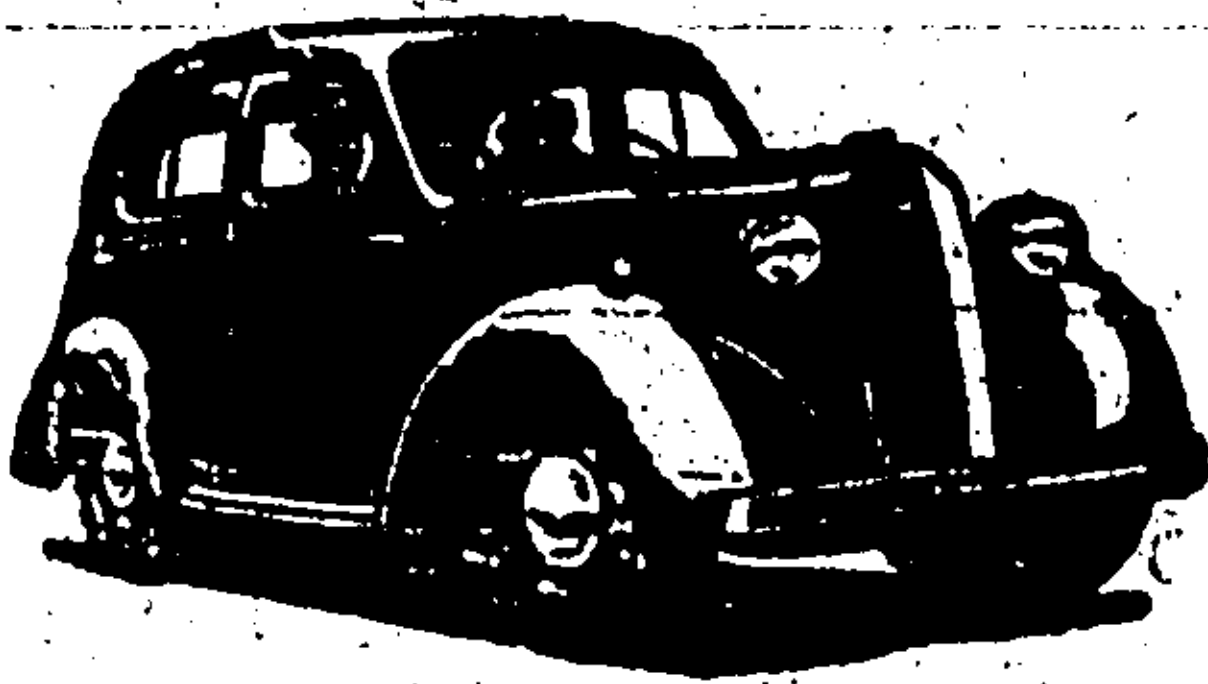
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ROAD-MAKING IN SO WILDERNESS

A Traveller's Impressions Of A Fight For Life-Lines

THE struggle which is going on in China can be described as a struggle of currencies. The Japanese are pursuing a financial and economic policy of great daring and astuteness in that part of China which is under their control.

They have created new currencies and it is a serious crime in occupied China even to possess dollars of the National Government. With phantom moneys the Japanese are buying up occupied China, lock, stock and barrel. A gigantic war indemnity is being paid by the Chinese people without its being very clearly realised what is happening.

It is true that much of China's capital is hidden, or has been removed to independent China; still, as long as the Japanese hold the towns and the lines of communication they can force their "yuans" on the people.

Chinese guerilla bands may hold the countryside but the Chinese peasant must come to the towns to sell his produce for "yuans" and, with them, buy Japanese goods. Little by little, if the Japanese can hold on long enough and if the government of Chiang Kai-shek cannot export easily and import essential war material, the work of the Chinese people in occupied China and the revival of old, and the creation of new, "industries" will infuse blood into the "yuans" (which are exchangeable at par for Japanese yen). Then the Japanese will have solved the most serious of their problems—the financing of the war, and their own economic revival. They will have laid the financial foundations of the formidable empire they intend to try to establish in the Far East.

Thus, the maintenance of her lines of communication and the creation, if possible, of new ones is for Nationalist China a matter of life or of death. Her life-lines are few.

There is, first of all, that which communicates with Soviet Russia. China is a very mountainous country, as the Japanese know to their cost. About three-quarters of its area consists of uplands which in the west and south-west, where China touches on other States, reach great heights; access to the regions they protect is most difficult. The journey to and from Russia is long, little is exported by this

route and, although material still reaches China from the Soviets, the amounts are probably not increasing.

300 MILES: 160 TUNNELS

All the other lines pass through the south-west, the most mountainous district. The Burmese road will be, from now on for some months, practically useless owing to the torrential rains.

There remain the roads through French Indo-China, a country which has taken on, in the last few months, a new importance. Sleepy Hanoi, the capital, and easy-going Haiphong, the principal port, swarm with Chinese of all sorts and of all political opinions. Adventurers from every country under the sun are to be met with in every street, buying, selling and bargaining. There are rumours of political assassination and of spying and counter-espionage—all in an atmosphere of rather nonchalant tolerance.

Two routes are open from Indo-China to China and there is a third which may soon prove important.

First there is the Yunnan railway. Until about a month ago the French maintained an embargo on any war material for China. Now war supplies are being rushed up to the high plateaux of south-western China, and the stuff which had been piling up in the godowns of

Hong Kong or on Haiphong is entering at a rate of about 300 tons a day. It is hoped to increase this by August.

It is remarkable that the single-track line can



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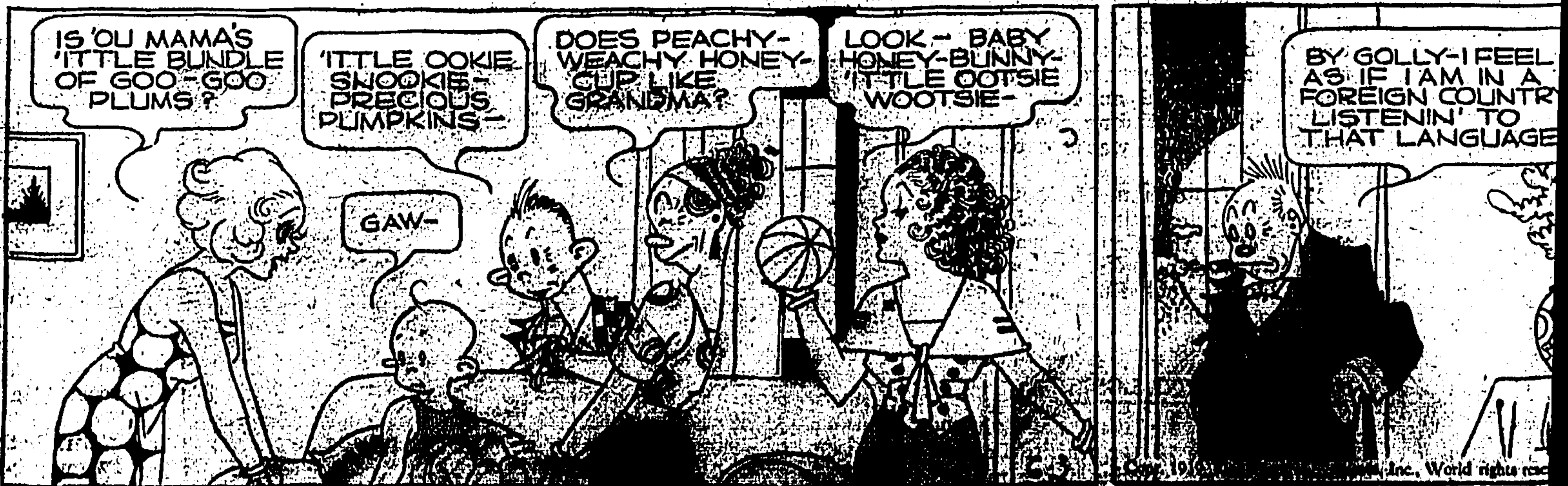
By
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"THE FLYING SOLDIER"—Army teams of motorcyclists are now busy practising in readiness for the International Motor Cycle Trial to be held in Germany. This picture, taken at Camberley Heath, shows rider of the Tank Corps negotiating tracks and rough hills during training.

Bringing Up Father

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SOUTH-WEST CHINA'S



West China and her main lines of communication.

the road will be even more exposed, the Chinese have made another road farther north.

Most of the western part of Kwangsi and of northern Tongking is a jumbled region of ancient cataclysms characterised by astounding and fantastically-shaped limestone mountains. Over these roadless mountains, by dangerous tracks, a certain amount of traffic has always been maintained, man being the beast of burden. To-day, however, the tracks will not suffice; China must have real roads.

There is an old story that the Chinese once ordered a bridge from Europe, but stipulated that their own engineers should put it up. The technical problems of bridge building were surmounted by erecting the bridge beside the river and then diverting the river's course so as to bring it under the bridge. The new road which they are building to the north does not join up with anything on the French side of the frontier! I will try to describe the situation. In Northern Tongking is a little frontier post called Trung-Khanphu or the "Prefecture of the Double Felicity." From this hamlet a slippery red-clay track twists and twines over hills and round the mountains for some 15 miles, and by it you reach China.

No cars try to run on this path; you would have to be dug, hauled or pushed out of holes by gangs of coolies a dozen times. The way winds through strange and brilliant scenery. There are not many human beings to be seen, but every five days you meet processions of men and women, many of them staggering or stumbling along with heavy burdens dangling from their shoulder-poles. You somehow get round a particularly abrupt inland island crowned by an old Chinese fort towering 1,000 feet above you and, suddenly, you see a great broad road starting from the slush you stand in: it is China's new north road.

Beside the road is a hastily-put-together village of bamboo huts and mud hovels. It is the Chinese frontier post of Yahu, the terminus of the new highway which has been built through unsurveyed country in a little over six months.

The road is about 35 feet wide and although not yet metalled on all its length it is well laid. It links up the French border, through the town of Chenan, with Poseh on the Yukiang, whence both the important towns Nanning to the south-east and Kunming to the north-west can be comparatively easily reached. The only thing now needful is a road on the French side to connect the new highway with the excellent roads of Tongking.

ALARM AT THE WHITE MAN

When we reached the road the Chinese produced, apparently, from nowhere, three bottles of Pol Roger champagne, a bucket of ice and a tin of English biscuits and suggested a drive. We were the first two white men ever to set foot on the road, for it has been surveyed, designed and constructed entirely by the Chinese. Not many foreigners can ever have visited this remote wilderness, since, in some parts, the natives, alarmed at so strange a sight, put their hands before their eyes when they beheld us and either ran off or bowed to the earth.

Two definite results of the Japanese invasion of China have been the formation of something very new in Chinese national patriotism and the opening up of what is in

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French in 1901-1910 after incredible engineering difficulties. The track climbs to over 6,000ft in less than 40 miles and passes through 160 tunnels in about 300 miles.

Second comes the Langson route. There is a railway from Haiphong to Langson in Tongking, on the border of the Chinese province of Kwangsi, whence a road runs to the important function of Lungchow.

Most of the heavy traffic — lorries and trucks and some other material — moves up by road from the coast to the frontier at this spot. One Sunday morning in March I counted 70 American trucks, mostly Chevrolets and Mat-fords, on or near the Chinese border.

Langson has become fashionable. Its gambling saloons rival in picturesqueness those of Macao. The sordid little town, in strikingly beautiful surroundings of curiously-shaped limestone "islands" rising from a sea of bright green ricefield, is crammed full.

EXPOSED TO AIR RAIDS

American missionaries share rooms with German bagmen. If you ask where the window is in your bedroom you are told to leave the door open. Chinese with American accents, Germans with English accents, sing-song girls from Shanghai who are curiously interested in politics, wild men from the mountains and French officers rub shoulders in the streets. There is a good deal of mysterious whispering in corners, scribbling on paper pads, nodding.

As the road from Langson to Lungchow is rather exposed to Japanese air-raids and the railway which is being completed alongside

By George McManus

FOR GOODNESS SAKE, FOLKS — SEND IN A NAME FOR TH' LITTLE RASCAL-HE'S GITTIN' WOOLY-LISEN' TO ALL TH' NAMES THEY ARE CALLIN' HIM —

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many respects the richest part of the country. The south-west and lines through and to her western west, the old "colonial" China stronghold she may yet possess the as it has been called, is a region of Japanese and cause their enormous and hitherto almost un-laid plans to miscarry, but the tapped sub-soil wealth.

Beauty and You

by PATRICIA LINDSAY

LILY PONS BELIEVES BEAUTIFUL HANDS OF VITAL IMPORTANCE

French women know the charm of lovely hands, and opera stars know how important they are, too, so Lily Pons, being a French opera star, is doubly concerned about her slim, tapering fingers! The petite prima donna is convinced that beautiful hands are as important a beauty asset as clear, lovely skin!

"You cannot be successful in an emotional scene if you do not know how to use your hands. They are

vital. And in concert work, when you are on the stage alone, hands are even more apparent and they must be as graceful and beautiful as thoughtful grooming can make them," emphatically stated Miss Pons. "Every woman should be conscious of hand beauty!"

HER EXERCISE

Hand and finger exercises play an important role in Miss Pons' hand care.

"At least a dozen times during the day I pretend to pull on a pair of snugly fitting gloves. I start at the top of each finger and work the skin down, concentrating on the nail area and the knuckles. Such massage keeps the cuticle down and makes the knuckles flexible.

"Another easy exercise is to let the hands flop loosely from the wrists whenever you think to do it. Let them relax, and wave them back and forth or rotate them. This eases the muscles and permits the fingers to be agile."

Before stepping out from the wings onto the stage, Miss Pons holds her hands high above her head with fingers outstretched for at least a minute to let the blood rush away from her hands. This little precaution keeps her hands white for at least ten minutes afterward. Nervous women should remember that trick and practice it whenever they feel self-conscious. It helps greatly to give you poise for any entrance!

ACTUAL GROOMING

This fastidious opera star carefully selects her hand-grooming



LILY PONS permits her fingernails to grow long to make her hands appear more tapering.

cosmetics. A mild soap even if her hands are stained from gardening (a favourite pastime!), a pumice stone to remove stubborn spots, a good lotion to use after drying her hands, and scads of oil and gloves if her hands become chapped or otherwise affected by the weather.

Witty Kitty



The mentally sketchy girl-friend says it burns her up the way old man Sol stands around waiting to scorch a guy.

GET INTO PRINT

Put this pretty thing into print as soon as possible—you'll find it so becoming for summer afternoons when you want to look cool and fresh and very, very feminine. This design has a dainty simplicity that will be particularly lovely in silk crepe, taffeta, lawn or dimity, in a flower print that goes with its "delicate air." The basque bodice melts into a tiny waist, the skirt has a graceful, circular flare, and frills add flattery to the heart-shaped neckline and short, high-



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JUNE PREISER, former Hollywood actress, dancing star, took the part in a new M.G.M. film, 'The Sign of the Cross', which is being shown in the cinema.

What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLAKE

Individual tastes may differ so that it might be well not to depend too much on any person's opinion this day. Your judgment might be just as good as the next fellow's. A sense of dissatisfaction may prevail which will cause many persons to do an unnecessary amount of complaining. It might be a mistake to try arguing with them. Do not permit their grumbling to upset your disposition. This is likely to be a day when tempers are apt to be high-strung, so make up your mind to keep your's under control. Many impractical ideas are liable to cause the loss of much valuable time, this day, for conditions are conducive to theoretical rather than practical suggestions being tried out. You ought to have no difficulty in finding a sympathetic listener, should you need one, because you are likely to have many well-wishers ready to serve you, provided, however, that your service does not affect their pocketbooks. Married and engaged couples, as well as those who are in love, must not expect to receive favours unless they are prepared to grant them.

If a woman and July 25 is your birthday, you ought to be a very level-headed, business-like woman. You may take a keen interest in religious affairs, particularly if it involves work of a charitable nature. Music and art are likely to play an important part in your life. Varied experiences might prepare you for some important position where worldly knowledge will be a valuable asset. Remember, few successful people are without critics, so learn to take criticism with a smile. Through social welfare or missionary work, writing, painting, singing, selling, or as a musician, your way in life might be easy and very pleasant. Marriage should bring you many joys and very few, if any, sorrows.

The child born on July 25 is usually very easily handled. Affectionate and ready to listen to reason, this youngster ought to get along exceptionally well in school and with playmates. Popularity and success generally make this youngster's future years very happy ones.



You cannot learn to skate without a tumble or two, but your bruises and abrasions will trouble you little if you treat them with She-Ko, the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co.'s skin remedy. This delightfully soothing, antiseptic ointment quickly heals when rubbed into a bruise or when spread lightly on an injury if the skin is broken.

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SEPTIC MOUTHS

Relation To General Health

For too long an unhealthy mouth has been looked upon as a condition quite separate and apart from the health of the whole body.

Yet actually dental disease is a disease which affects the entire system. Medical and dental authorities agree that an unhealthy mouth can be responsible for more troubles in other parts of the body

Fortunately the mouth is quite accessible; it can be inspected and repaired with comparative ease. But it should be remembered that the same is not true of other parts of the body which have been damaged by infection from this source.

Frequently because no pain is suffered in the mouth, and no apparent ill-effects are noticed, septic teeth and unhealthy gums are completely disregarded. The ill-effects though unseen, are none the less real.

SLOW POISONING

Chronic dental disease means colonies of bacteria or germs living in or around the teeth and growing and multiplying daily. The bacteria and the toxins they produce in the course of living often escape into the mouth to be swallowed with the food, causing indigestion and gastric troubles. More frequently still they are absorbed into the blood stream and carried all over the body. This slow poisoning may not cause any effect on the general health for a long time, particularly if the individual is in good health otherwise. But the time comes when the natural forces of resistance in the body are no longer able to cope with the poison. The breakdown of some organ results.

PREVENTION OF DECAY

Decay of the teeth not only can be prevented, but is being prevented every day, yet this is a fact which is very little known. Confusion about the cause and cure of decay is rife.

There is no short cut to good teeth and no magic cure for bad teeth. The remedy, though it involves continuous care, is, however, simple, and may be both begun and carried out by the individual. It may be summed up in three short words, cleanliness, diet, and inspection. And the combination of these three factors, the conscientious observance of them all will definitely prevent the onslaught of dental decay and, too, of pyorrhea.

Ellen Drew, starring in "The Lady's From Kentucky" at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres, displays something new in riding habits. Ellen is wearing a camel's hair polo coat with hand-stitched edges over tan twill riding pants and a light woollen sweater. The costume is topped off with a dark blue beret.

than any other one known factor. Not only does it pollute the food intended for the nourishment of the individual, but by infecting the blood as it comes in contact with diseased teeth and gums it causes many other diseases, including rheumatism, arthritis, eye, heart, kidney, and gastric troubles.

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*CORFU	14,500	5th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BURDWAN	6,000	12th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
*CANTON	15,500	19th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
*CARTHAGE	14,500	2nd Sept.	— do —
*SOMALI	7,000	9th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hull, Hamburg Rotterdam, & Antwerp.
*RAJPUTANA	17,000	16th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*RANCHI	17,000	30th Sept.	— do —
*RANPURA	17,000	14th Oct.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*RAWALPINDI	17,000	28th Oct.	— do —
*CHITRAL	15,000	11th Nov.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*CORFU	14,500	25th Nov.	Marseilles & London.
*CANTON	15,000	9th Dec.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*CARTHAGE	14,500	23rd Dec.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*RAJPUTANA	17,000	6th Jan., 1940	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*RANCHI	17,000	20th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*RANPURA	17,000	3rd Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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TANDA	7,000	2nd Sept.	Sydney, Melbourne & Hobart.
NANKIN	7,000	30th Sept.	— do —

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CARTHAGE	14,500	3rd Aug.	Shanghai & Japan.
*SOMALI	7,000	3rd Aug.	Shanghai & Japan.
SHIRALA	8,000	3rd Aug.	Japan.
TANDA	7,000	7th Aug.	Shanghai & Japan.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	17th Aug.	Shanghai & Japan.
TILAWA	10,000	17th Aug.	Japan.
RANCHI	17,000	31st Aug.	Shanghai & Japan.
SANTHIA	8,000	31st Aug.	Japan.
*BANGALORE	6,000	1st Sept.	Shanghai & Japan.
NANKIN	7,000	3rd Sept.	Shanghai & Japan.
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Amoy and Manila	Anking	July 25.
Manila	Naruto Maru	July 25.
Shanghai	Soudan	July 25.
Tientsin	Nanchang	July 25.
Canton	Sinogane Maru	July 25.
Manila	Pres. Monroe	July 25.
Manila	Glaucus	July 25.
Straits	Mentor	July 25.
Straits	Van Houtz	July 25.
Shanghai	Patroclus	July 25.
Saigon and Tourane	Laos	July 25.
Amoy	Muinam	July 25.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service" — San Francisco date, 19th July		
Pan-American Airways Plane, July 26.		
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service" — Paris date, 19th July		
Air France Plane		
Shanghai	Tegelberg	July 26.
Japan	Toyama Maru	July 26.
Japan	Tjinegara	July 26.
Manila	Grete Maersk	July 26.
Japan	Talma	July 26.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kalkan	July 26.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" — London date, 22nd July.		
Imperial Airways Plane		
Saigon	Laos	July 27.

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For	Per	Date and Time.
TUESDAY		
Fort Bayard	Taiposek	July 25, 2.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service" — due Amsterdam, 6th Aug.	Soudan	Tues., July 25, K.P.O.
	Reg.,	July 25, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	July 25, 5.30 p.m.
	Reg.,	July 25, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	July 25, 5.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles — due Marseilles, 27th August.	Soudan	Tues., July 25, K.P.O.
	Reg.,	July 25, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	July 25, 5.30 p.m.
	Reg.,	July 25, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	July 25, 7 p.m.
Shanghai and Dairen	Naruto Maru	July 25, 7 p.m.
WEDNESDAY		
Fort Bayard	Shunchih	July 26, 10.30 a.m.
Parcels only for Straits, Penang, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt Marseilles and London — due London 31st August.	Patroclus	Wed., July 26, G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Air Mail for Indo-China — due Hanoi, 26th July.	Parcels.	July 26, Noon.
	Reg.,	Wed., July 26, 11.30 a.m.
	Ord.,	Wed., July 26, Noon.
THURSDAY		
Japan	Bengloe	July 27, 10.30 a.m.
Haiiphong	Laos	July 27, 1 p.m.
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service" — due San Francisco, 2nd August.	Pan American Airways Plane	Thursday, July 27, K.P.O.
	Reg.,	Wed., July 26, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Wed., July 26, 5.30 p.m.
	Reg.,	Wed., July 26, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Thur., July 27, 7.30 a.m.
Canton	Sinogane Maru	Thur., July 27, 8.15 a.m.
Fort Bayard	Kalkan	Thur., July 27, 2.30 p.m.
Amoy	Kiangsu	Thur., July 27, 3.30 p.m.
Manila and Parcels only for Germany via Hamburg	Gneisenau	Thur., July 27, 4.00 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service" — due London 3rd August.	Imperial Airways Plane	Thur., July 27, K.P.O.
	Reg.,	Thur., July 27, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Thur., July 27, 5.30 p.m.
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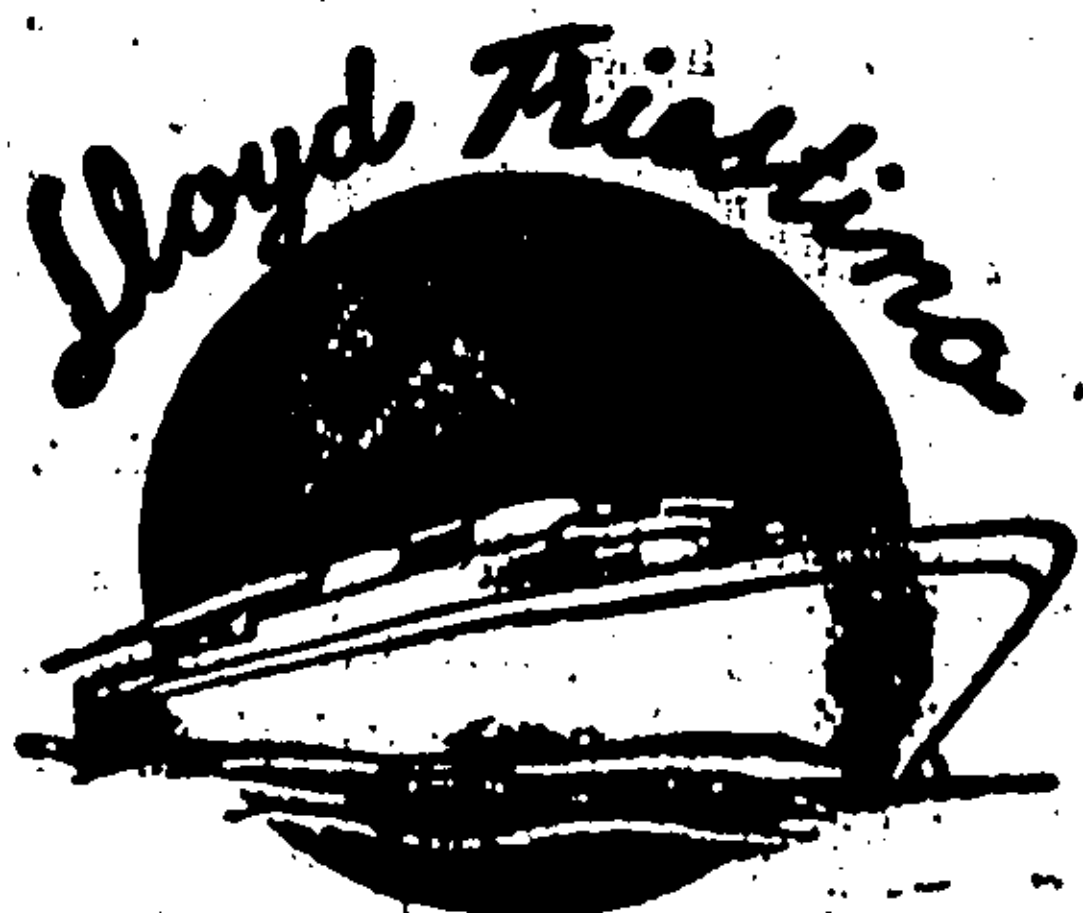
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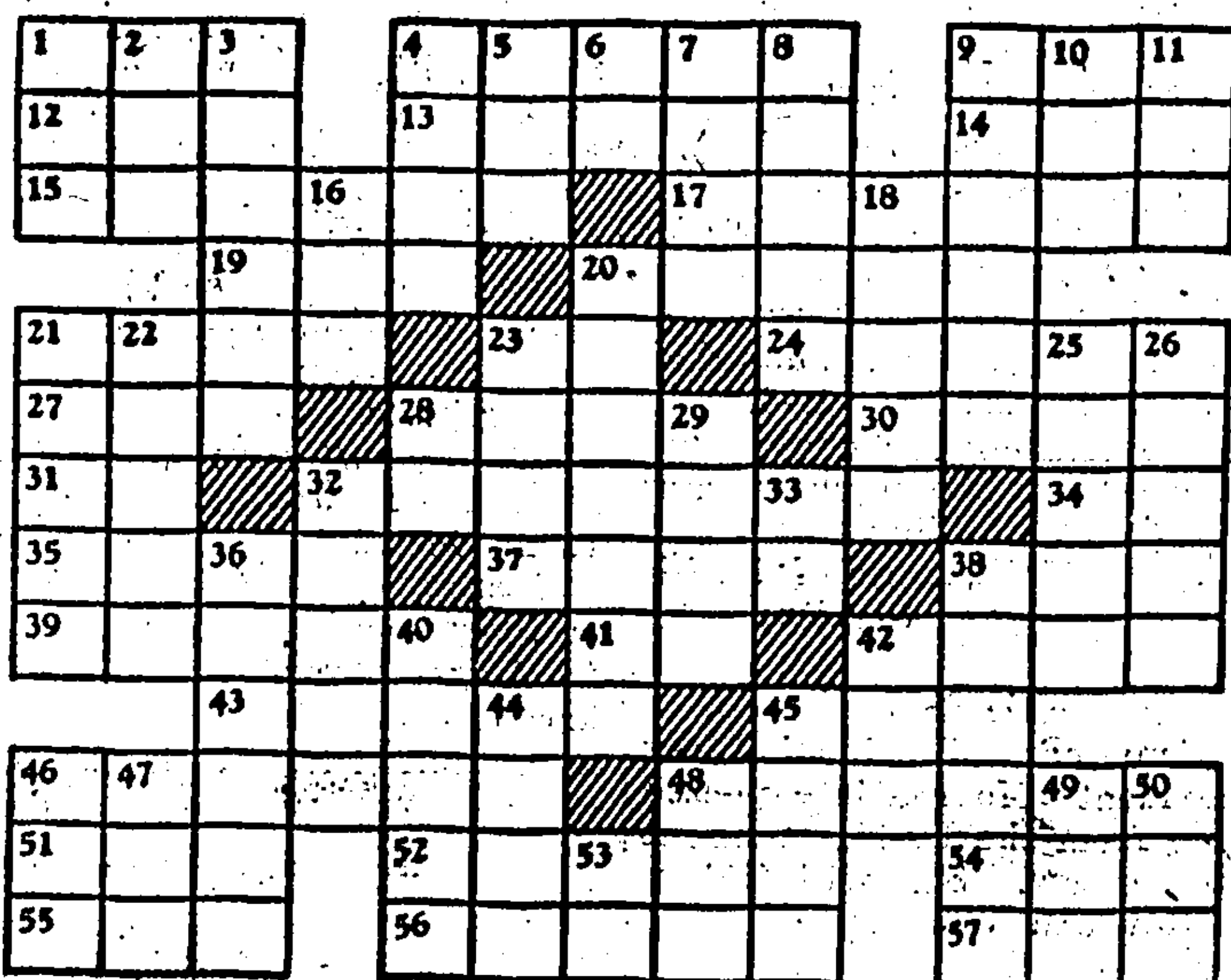
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- 1 Sprite
- 4 Undergoes
- 9 Bleak
- 12 Large serpent
- 13 To suffer
- 14 French island
- 15 Stock exchange
- 17 Place of origin
- 19 French river
- 20 Descendant
- 21 Locale
- 23 To perform
- 24 Ceases to please
- 27 Slogan
- 28 Germinated grain
- 30 To gather
- 31 Hawk-headed deity
- 32 To harangue
- 34 To exist
- 35 Brain passage
- 37 To merit
- 38 Tool
- 39 Persian fairies
- 41 Proposition
- 42 Coagulated milk
- 43 Old administrative official

VERTICAL

- 45 Portuguese title
- 46 Parish officer
- 48 Household management
- 51 To devour
- 52 Goods sunk in sea with buoy attached (var.)

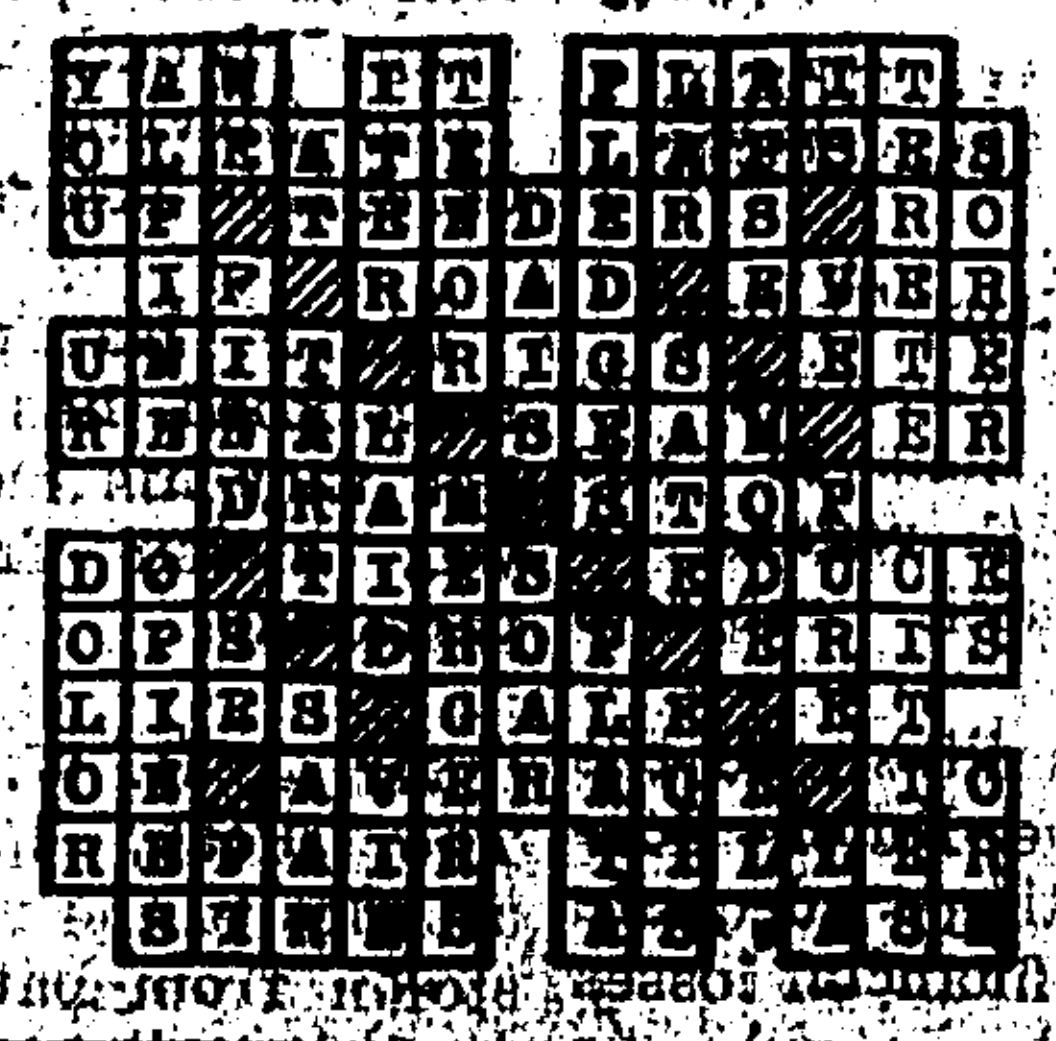
VERTICAL

- 54 Pile
- 55 Epoch
- 56 Retards
- 57 Silk worm
- 1 Reflex of tide
- 2 Card game
- 3 Imperfect
- 4 Food fish

VERTICAL

- 5 Holland commune
- 6 Part of "to be"
- 7 Luxuriant
- 8 To denude
- 9 To sift
- 10 Entirely
- 11 Small
- 12 Grain
- 13 To terrify
- 20 To compare critically
- 21 A writing
- 22 Wroth
- 23 Fresh water fish
- 25 Stress
- 26 To expedite
- 28 Pronoun
- 29 Edible root
- 32 Desiccated
- 33 Corner
- 36 Mistakes
- 38 Kindly
- 40 Deals in
- 42 To steer
- 44 To conceal
- 45 Low haunts
- 46 Gathering
- 47 Head of grain
- 48 Beast's stomach
- 49 Pike-like fish
- 50 Final
- 53 To operate

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Shanghai, To-day.

"Britain must not wonder if nobody believes any longer in her treaties and if the value of her treaties, apparently highly esteemed in certain eastern European countries, is doubted, seeing that in the Far East Britain has furnished one example how she draws other countries into a conflict and allows them to fight for her interests and afterwards, in breach of existing treaties, drops them as soon as the treaties are put to a practical test," writes the "Shun Pao."

In accord with other Chinese newspapers, the "Shun Pao" writes: "Britain has lost her prestige in Europe, and in the Far East her esteem is likewise on the decline so that Britain's role as stabilising factor in the world is at an end."—Trans-Ocean.

IN THE HARBOUR

(MAIL-CARRIERS IN BOLD TYPE)

ARRIVING TO-DAY

Anking, CNC, arrived from Manila; Taikoo Dock Wharf.
Bengloe (Loxley), arrived from Europe; Kowloon Wharf.
Naruto Maru, NYK, arrived from Manila; buoy A-8.
Soudan, P. and O., arrived from Japan/Shanghai; buoy A-2.
Tsinan, CNC, arrived from Amoy; buoy B-15.
Van Heutz, JCJL, arrived from the Straits; buoy A-12.
Victorlock, NYK, arriving from Shanghai at 11 a.m.; buoy A-10.

SAILING TO-DAY

Hupei, CNC, sailing at noon for Haiphong; buoy A-9.
Naruto Maru, NYK, sailing about 3 p.m. for New York via Shanghai, Dairen and Japan; buoy A-8.
Taipoosek (Shun Cheong), sailing at 5 p.m. for Kwangchow-wan; China Merchants' Wharf.
Victorlock, NYK, sailing late this afternoon for the Straits; buoy A-10.

NOTES

The American President Lines s.s. President Monroe is expected to arrive from the U.S.A. at about noon to-morrow. She will tie up at the Kowloon Wharf.

O. Thoresen and Co. informed the "China Mail" this morning that the Hai Hing will now be sailing on Thursday.

The Blue Funnel s.s. Patroclus is expected to arrive here early to-morrow morning from Japan and Shanghai. The Glaucus is expected on July 29, Saturday.

NETHERLANDS AND TYROL EXPULSION

Amsterdam, To-day.

The Netherlands is reported to have made representations to the Italian Government with regard to the expulsion of Dutch subjects from South Tyrol.

It is stated that similarly to the Swiss Government the Dutch Government is demanding adequate compensation for the financial losses sustained by Netherlands subjects who have been compelled to give up their business.—Trans-Ocean.

JAP. NOTE REJECTED BY MOSCOW

Moscow, To-day.

The Soviet Russian government last evening replied to Japanese complaints about restrictions imposed by the Soviet authorities on the Japanese mineral oil and coal concessions on North Saghalien.

A note from the Soviet Foreign Affairs Commissariat rejects all 13 points of the Japanese memorandum as unfounded and brings instead a number of Russian charges against the Japanese holders of concession, amounting to the allegation that Japanese concessionaires deliberately violated the terms of the concessions.

The assertion in the Japanese memorandum that the Soviet Union intended to liquidate the concessions is described here as a "malicious fabrication."—Trans-Ocean.

MYSTERY OF RADIO GENERAL: TROUBLE IN SPAIN?

Paris, To-day.

Mystery surrounds the whereabouts of General Franco's "radio general," Quiapo del Llano, who was deprived of his command a few days ago for "indiscreet remarks."

General del Llano, who is a former Military Governor of Andalusia, was reported to have fled into France from Spain.

Another report says he has been placed under arrest.

Press reports suggest that a sharp cleavage has occurred in Spain between Phalangists and Monarchists.

"Le Temps" says that General del Llano is staying in Burgos.—Trans-Ocean.

Meanwhile the Spanish Embassy in Paris denies reports of General del Llano having fled to France, that General Yague has been arrested and that General Franco has despatched troops to Andalusia.

B.B.C. FOREIGN NEWS BULLETINS

London, To-day.

When questioned by several members in the Commons as to the news services sent out from Britain by the B.B.C., the Under-Secretary of State, Mr. R. A. Butler, announced that the Government was considering the extension of the present foreign language broadcasts to Hungarian, Yugo-Slavian, Rumanian and Czech.—Trans-Ocean.

Mr. F. Hargreaves, of No. 12, Lock Road, has informed the Police that his motor car No. 1890 was stolen from Peiho Street yesterday.

Mr. J. H. W. Howie, of No. 7, The Peak, has reported that articles to the value of \$23.50 were stolen from bathing shed No. 283 at 18 1/4 mile beach, Castle Peak Road, some time between 7 p.m. on Saturday and 2 p.m. on Sunday.

NAZI SPY TRIAL IN SWITZERLAND

Four members of the Swiss Nazi organisation known as "League of Faithful Confederates" and two other men were tried at Zurich on a charge of being implicated in a huge espionage ring operating throughout Switzerland.

The ring is alleged to have collected information the German intelligence service, and to have exercised surveillance not only over Swiss army officers and the Swiss military staffs, but also over the French Legation and the British and Czechoslovak consulates at Berne.

The members of the League are Dr. Alfred Zander, its "fuehrer," his brother Konrad, Otto Derendinger, a Swiss artist, and Alfred Nikles, a business man.

The two others are Benno Werner Schappi, a journalist and former member of the National Front, another Swiss Nazi organisation, and Hans Stuz, cinema operator. These last two are said to have taken but little part in the ring activities.

REPORTS FOR GERMANY

Dr. Alfred Zander and a former insurance agent named Johann Frei are alleged to have directed the activities. Frei, who has since escaped to Germany, is said to have engaged agents in various parts of Switzerland, including a politician in Geneva, and to have obtained from them reports on the activities of persons prominent in political and military affairs.

These reports, it is alleged, were subsequently sent to Germany.

A Zurich hotel run by a man named Walter Oberdorfer, who has also escaped to Germany, is said to have served as the headquarters for the ring.

It is reported that arrangements had been made for the erection of a secret wireless station near Interlaken, and that radio technicians were to have been brought to Germany for this purpose.

ALLEGED OFFER TO M.P.S

It was stated in the House of Commons recently that members had been approached by representatives of football pools and offered substantial payment if they would present the cheques to winners of competitions and be photographed doing so.

Mr. Ammon, Socialist M.P. for Camberwell North, who raised the matter, asked the Attorney-General if it did not come "within the ambit of corruption."

Sir Donald Somervell suggested that the question whether the transaction was a criminal offence could not be appropriately raised across the floor of the House. He offered to discuss the matter with Mr. Ammon.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-18/32. "Spot" silver was quoted in London at 16-13/16 and forward at 16%.

The London on New York rate was quoted at \$-U.S.\$4.6825, and New York on London at \$-U.S.\$4.68-1/4.

CHILDREN'S PUZZLE

ANNA MULLE
IS VERY
FOND OF AN-
IMALS.
GIVE HER
HEAD A
QUARTER TURN
LEFT TO SEE
ONE OF HER
FAVORITE PETS.



Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

TRANSPOSE A
STORY AND
LEAVE NOT EARLY.
THE ANSWER IS:
TALE AND LATE.

NOTE THAT THE
SAME LETTERS
WERE TRANSPOSED
TO SPELL THE WORDS.

NOW THEN TRY
TO TRANSPOSE
A COMMAND TO
STOP AND
LEAVE
A
THIN
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Answer to-morrow:

- 1-oak.
- 2-pine.
- 3-pear.
- 4-maple.
- 5-cedar.
- 6-orange.
- 7-cherry.
- 8-willow.
- 9-chestnut.

MR. STANLEY & V.R.C. CLUBHOUSE GERMAN COUPS RENOVATION APPROVED

Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, speaking at Bletchley, Bucks, said that German coups were a modern example of the spider and the fly.

First the invitation to enter the parlour; then the inescapable position once in.

The only addition was that the spider issued a communique afterwards saying with what gratification and affection the fly had found its final resting-place.

"If any country wants to resist this bullying menace to its liberty and independence it will not have to resist it alone," he declared. "We have no demands on Germany but, if she attempts to dominate the world by force, the reply of this country must be the reply of history, that we refuse to allow the world to be subdued by this means."

Mr. Stanley had said earlier that improvement in trade was not entirely due to rearmament. It was true that some of the increased prosperity was owing to expenditure by the Government on armaments. There was, however, a solid basis of real trade recovery which, if only we were relieved of international tension, would restore us to a prosperity which we had not known for many years.

SHANGHAI DOLLAR RALLIES IN N.Y.

New York, To-day.

The guilden registered a sharp advance on the New York foreign exchange market yesterday following the announcement in The Hague that Dr. Colijn had successfully formed a new Cabinet.

Other European currencies also improved, while the Shanghai dollar rallied for the first time in more than a week.—Reuter.

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TEST CRICKET

GRIM STRUGGLE FOR RUNS AT MANCHESTER

Hardstaff Saves England With Brilliant Innings

WEST INDIES' STRONG REPLY

London, To-day.—Alternating rainfall and sunshine at Old Trafford yesterday contributed to extremely difficult conditions for batsmen who were always struggling against spin bowling.

W. R. Hammond, England's skipper, in an effort to force a win and to give his spin attack a chance against West Indies' batsmen before close of play, declared England's first innings closed with the score at 164 for 7.

West Indies made a good start and the 50 was hoisted in only 35 minutes, but later Goddard's spinners started to do their deadly work and at close of play the Gloucestershire bowler had taken the wickets of both Grant and Stollmeyer. George Headley, however, who made a century in each innings of the Lord's Test, and Ben Sealey were still in possession and the score had reached 85 for 3.

The match concludes to-day with honours, at the moment, fairly even.

Play only started yesterday at 12.15 after two inspections by the umpires. A crowd of 7,000 saw Hutton and Fagg resume England's innings. At 12.31, however, with the total at 19, bad light and slight rain caused a stoppage for half an hour.

On the resumption, only two runs had been added when Fagg, when facing Hylton, played a ball onto his wicket after he had scored 7 runs (1 for 21).

Paynter stayed with Hutton until the lunch adjournment, when Hutton was 13 and Paynter 9.

After lunch the wicket was very responsive to spin and the batsmen were forced on the defensive. With the total at 34, Paynter snicked one from Clarke, who was spinning the ball viciously, and was well taken by Sealey behind the sticks (34 for 2).

EASY CATCH

In the next over Hutton attempted to hook a ball from Grant and Martindale, at short-leg, took an easy catch (34 for 3).

The 50 was hoisted after the innings had been in progress 105 minutes.

Two runs later, there was a short break owing to rain and then Compton, who was shaping confidently, trod on his wicket when attempting to hook Clarke (53 for 4).

With another 9 runs on the board, W. R. Hammond, who had been batting aggressively, was brilliantly stumped by Sealey off Clarke for 22 (62 for 5).

Then followed a stand between Hardstaff and Wood. The former was in his most aggressive mood and reached his 50 in as many minutes after hitting one six and 7 fours. When Hardstaff had taken his score to 64, Wood was caught and bowled by Constantine for 26 (150 for 6) after a partnership of 88 valuable runs.

With Hardstaff 64 and Wright 0 and the total 151 for 6 tea was taken.

A crowd of 10,000, of which 6,039 had paid for admission, saw Hardstaff and Wright resume England's innings. When the former had reached 76 he was caught by Williams off Grant (164 for 7). His batting had saved England from utter failure. He was at the wicket for 100 minutes, hit one six and found the fence on eight occasions. He scored his 76 out of 111.

Hammond then declared.

Grant and Clarke, the two spin bowlers, met with most success. Whilst the latter's 3 wickets proved rather expensive, Grant was almost unplayable, only conceding 16 runs in 13 overs for two wickets.

GRANT AGGRESSIVE

West Indies started their innings confidently and with Grant in his most aggressive mood, runs came freely. Stollmeyer, however, after a patient innings, was c and b Goddard with his personal contribution 5 out of the total of 35 (35 for 1).

The 50 was hoisted in only 35 minutes but then Grant's fine innings came to a close when, in attempting a big hit off Goddard, he was held at long on by Fagg for 47 (56 for 2).

Gomez failed badly, being caught behind the sticks off Bowes before he had opened his account, but George Headley and Ben Sealey played out time with their scores 16 and 13 respectively.

TEST SCORE BOARD

ENGLAND—1ST INNS.

Hutton, c Martindale, b Grant	13
Fagg, b Hylton	7
Paynter, c Sealey, b Clarke	9
W. R. Hammond, st. Sealey, b Clarke	22
Compton, hit wkt., b Clarke	4
Hardstaff, c Williams, b Grant	76
Wood, c and b Constantine	26
Wright, not out	1
Extras	6

Total (for 7 wickets, dec.) 164

Bowes, Copson and Goddard did not bat.

Fall of wickets:—1 for 21 (Fagg); 2 for 34 (Paynter); 3 for 34 (Hutton); 4 for 53 (Compton); 5 for 62 (Hammond); 6 for 150 (Wood); 7 for 164 (Hardstaff).

Bowling

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Martindale	8	2	10	0
Hylton	11	3	15	1
Clarke	13	1	59	3
Grant	13.2	4	16	2
Cameron	3	0	22	0
Constantine	7	2	36	1

WEST INDIES—1ST INNS.

R. S. Grant, c Fagg, b Goddard	47
J. Stollmeyer, c and b Goddard	5
G. Headley, not out	16
A. Gomez, c Wood, b Bowes	0
J. E. D. Sealey, not out	13
Extras	4

Total (for 3 wickets) 85

J. H. Cameron, L. N. Constantine, A. Williams, E. A. Martindale, L. G. Hylton and C. B. Clarke to bat.

Fall of wickets:—1 for 35 (Stollmeyer); 2 for 56 (Grant); 3 for 56 (Gomez).

EXTRA TIME IN INTERPORTS

A decision that Shanghai again be written to, requesting that 20 minutes extra time be played in all Interport games in the event of a draw, instead of the suggested half an hour, was arrived at when the Interport rules were discussed at the first Council meeting of Hong Kong Football Association held yesterday.

In accordance with the recommendation of the late Council to send a team to Shanghai in November, a sub-committee was elected to investigate the possibility, in view of the fact that the Chinese and Service players were doubtful.

The following sub-committees were elected:—

Hon. Secretary: Mr. C. Goldenberg with Mr. L. Souza as his assistant.

Treasurers: Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming.

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Emergency Sub-committee: Mr. Lee Wai-tong, Mr. W. E. Hollands and Cd. Gunner-Cooper.

Grounds Sub-committee: Mr. C. Guingam (Chairman), Mr. Walter Chen and Capt. H. H. Fantham.

Interport Sub-committee: Mr. Chen, Lt. Man, Capt. Fantham Cd. Gunner Cooper.

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exceptionally fast swimmers, while several promising newcomers are gradually making their presence felt.

At the Medicals' swimming gala next Saturday it will be interesting to note the form displayed by Nicholls and MacDonald, their two divers. Both are fine divers. Nicholls I believe was placed in the Colony Championships a season or so ago, and MacDonald is in the same class.

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

(By "SQUADDY")

EFFORTS have been made in the past to hold Interport games in most branches of sport, but one which I think is quite new to the Colony, may possibly take place at the end of the year.

Hong Kong Cycling Club, which is mainly composed of Army riders, is trying to conclude arrangements for a track meeting to be held about the 11th or 12th November. Riders from Singapore and Shanghai will be invited to the meeting, and I presume points won will count towards the interport title. Tentative arrangements are also being made for a race twice round the Kowloon 50 mile circuit on the 12th November.

Local riders should be well in form by the dates suggested for the meeting as they have their own local meeting in August and it will just be a case of keeping in training for a few more weeks.

KEATES and McDowell, two of the leading local cyclists, are both Army men and must be proud of the records they have set up since they arrived in the Colony. Keates has beaten almost every record there is to beat, but McDowell is fast becoming a serious menace to his leader and I expect to see a keen tussle between these two in more than one event at Caroline Hill next month.

RAIN unfortunately caused the cancellation of the cricket match which was to have taken place on Sunday at Shamshuipo where the Middlesex Corporals were to have entertained the Service Corps.

However, the best was made of a bad job and play was transferred indoors where billiards, darts and snooker matches were played. The postponed cricket match will probably take place in about a fortnight's time. Another football match between these rivals is also in the air!

R.A.M.C. easily defeated Signals at billiards for the second time in a week on Thursday when they ran out winners by six points to one, the aggregates being 830 and 651. The only defeat on the Medicals side during the game was that of Sgt. Terran who went down rather heavily to Signalman Morgan 150 to 80, Morgan including a break of 28 in his score.

The best breaks of the evening, however, were recorded by Sgt. Doyle of the Medicals who ran up a 38 and a 43. This latter break I think is the largest so far this season. Other commendable runs during the game were Cpl. Harvey's 23 and 20, Pte. Whybro's 29, and Cpl. Blount's 30. Blount only scored 81 in all.

THE Signals are now sure of the Departmental Corps Water Polo League championship. They have scored two big victories during the past week, defeating the Medicals by 11 clear goals and the Service Corps by nine goals to one.

I see a contemporary has called the Signals team "Army Champions." Whilst I cannot quite agree with this there is no doubt that they have a very useful side. This was brought home when they played a strong Victoria Recreation Club side in the week and were defeated by only four goals to two. This was a particularly fine performance, and I am waiting for the commencement of the Large Units' League to see how they get on in it, as I understand they are entering a team. They should also do well in the Inter-unit Swimming Championships this season, as, included in the water polo side, are some

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BASEBALL NOTES

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Union Brewers Win Pennant

(By GRAND STAND)

CHET Bennett's Union Brewers proved their real mettle during the week-end by beating U.S.S. Mindanao 8-1 on Saturday to cinch the Championship, and, in the curtain-raiser on Sunday morning, they maintained their 100% record beating South China Athletic Association to the tune of 8 to 5.

With only one more game to go—against Recreio—it looks as if the U.B. gang will finish the season with a 1,000 percentage. Good going for Chet and his squad.

The Union Brewery—Mindanao game on Saturday was interesting enough to watch despite the one-sided score.

The American Sailors played a hard fought game for five innings, but faded in the last two frames.

U.B. got going with a bang in the first frame with two tallies. Souza started off with a bingle, Ali sacrificed to put Souza on second, O. Arculli binged and Souza romped home for the first count, on Douglas' wild throw. "Dutch" Lingenbrink fled to left-field, and Joe Bowen snigled to bring in Arculli for the second run. M. Arculli fled to Wrigley at left field to retire the inning.

U.B. scored two more runs in the fourth when "Dutch" and Bowen crossed the plate on Stan Leonard's two bagger.

FOUR RUNS ON TWO HITS

The sixth canto was a heart breaker for hurler "Crooner" Ruel. In this frame four U.B. players crossed the plate on only two measly hits. "Dutch" Lingenbrink reached first on a passed ball third strike, a minute later "Dutch" stole second standing up, Bowen rapped a single to score "Dutch," who almost brought the stand down after he crossed the plate. Bowen reached second on Ruel's wild throw and M. Arculli fled to leftfield, Stan Leonard grounded to short-stop, Terry Leonard was hit by a pitched ball to receive free pass to first, Harold Winglee was walked after two strikes on him, Souza came through with his fourth hit of the day, in as many times to bat, to chase in Bowen and T. Leonard. Winglee, of all people, stole third and walked home on Ruel's bonehead baulk. Ali was struck out to end the U.B. scoring for the day.

M. Arculli pitched a good game yielding nine hits and no walks. U.B. also accounted for nine hits. Mindanao miscued three times to U.B.'s one.

Fielding gem was Ali at leftfield where he squeezed five flies, but was unfortunate to drop one after a very hard try. Longest hit of the tussle was a three ply by Douglas.

SUNDAY'S GAMES

In the curtain raiser on Sunday, South China Athletic Association gave

the Union Brewers a good scare and almost marred their 100 per cent. record. U.B. won the game 8-5 after a hard struggle.

Joe Bowen started on the mound for the Brewers but was erratic and was yanked in the initial frame after three South China runs came in on two walks and a double by Hank Chang.

M. Arculli then took over mound duty and held the opposition to two runs on four hits with nary a walk. The score was tied three all in the first inning.

U.B. scored one more in the third to take the lead which they maintained till the end. The winners scored two more runs in the fifth and two



Umpire Doc Molthen (bare head) hard pressed for a decision on ground rules in the U.B.-Mindanao game on Saturday.

more in the sixth to put the game away on ice.

South China were held scoreless for four innings but managed to push across one tally in the sixth and another in the seventh. Hank Chang started on the hillock for South China with George Wu at the receiving end.

SUPERB PITCHING

In the second inning Dynamo Ho came back to his regular berth behind the plate and made a good job of it. "Grandpop" F. C. Leung made a late appearance and did not come in the game until the third inning. Madeen Arculli's superb pitching had the South China sluggers swinging where the ball was not, striking out seven in short order.

U.B. connected for 10 hits against South China's five.

A neat double play was effected by South China, in the second inning, George Wu to Hong Sling at second,



More argument on ground rules in the U.B.-Mindanao tussle on Saturday. Hal Winglee in an argument with hurler "Crooner" Ruel. Chet Bennett taking it all in.

then to Y. T. Chan at the initial sack to nail Bux and Stan. Leonard.

While Union Brewery cinched the Bagram Shield and the vogue trophy, counting from the top, Hongkong Baseball Club should get something if we were to count from the wrong end of the League ladder.

However, with three more games to go the Hongkongites still have a chance to come out of the cellar.

Despite losing, 13-9, to U.S.S. Mindanao, the Molthenmen gave the Gobs a good game. Fans, who did not expect much interest in the encounter were well satisfied to watch Club make a good showing against a much stronger squad.

ONLY THREE ERRORS!

It's hard to believe but the Hongkongites only made three errors during the game against Mindanao's six, and established a new record in their camp this season by connecting for eight blows in a single game!

Even Bill Smith made it hit. How can!

Joe Higgins with three safeties and "Larry" Lawrence connecting for two bingles took batting honours for their side.

Mindanao-nicked hurler Lawrence for 17 hits, "Paintpot" Thomas clouting two triples for the longest hits of the clash.

"Crooner" Ruel pitched for three innings, but was yanked in the third in favour of Charlie Horton, while "Larry" Lawrence went the full route on the slab for the Molthenmen.

Hongkong Baseball Club were actually leading 7-6 in the third inning, but Mindanao, coming again from behind, scored two runs in the fourth, two in the fifth and three more in the sixth frame.

After a hard try the Hongkongites could only score one in the fifth and another in the sixth.

ARMY TENNIS

BIG R.A.O.C. VICTORY

Royal Army Ordnance Corps beat Royal Scots Band, by 9-0, in "A" Division of the Army Tennis League at Sookimpoo yesterday.

Q.M.S. Buckle and Pte. Boocock (R.A.O.C.)

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beat Bds. Jenkins and Bds. Willis 6-1

beat Bds. Dibble and Bds. Downing 6-3

Capt. Tracy and L/Sgt. Emberson (R.A.O.C.)

beat Green and Asley 6-0

beat Jenkins and Willis 6-2

beat Dibble and Downing 6-0

Cdr. Aslett and L/Sgt. Duffield (R.A.O.C.)

beat Green and Asley 6-0

beat Jenkins and Willis 6-2

beat Dibble and Downing 6-2

There's something wrong with a system which puts a man open to transfer at a fat figure, although providing him with no wages while the matter of his transfer is held up. If a man is to be worth a four-figure transfer fee, there ought to be some liability toward him on the part of the club hoping to profit.—"Long-sight" ("Daily Mirror").

LAWN BOWLS SINGLES UPSET

The biggest upset in the First Round of the Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship was the defeat of F. X. M. Silva by J. C. Remedios a Third Division player, by 21-18 after the game had gone over 30 heads.

The scoring was low and both players scored a three. At the 21st head Silva was leading by 17 shots to 10. Remedios scored two twos in the next two heads and for the remaining seven heads scored singles.

In the Open Pairs Competition, J. Gibson and W. V. Field beat A. E. Coates and B. W. Bradbury in a low scoring game by 16-12.

At the 14th head the K.F.C. pair were leading 12-5, but the Valley pair scored a three in the next head to come within striking distance, the Kowloon players again drew away and at the 19th end were leading 16-9. They held their opponents to a two and a single in the remaining heads.

RINKS SEMI-FINAL WRITE-UP FRIDAY

It was erroneously stated in the last issue of the "Sunday Herald" that an account of last Sunday's Open Rinks lawn bowls tie by "Skip" would appear in Thursday's issues of the "China Mail." Actually this write-up will appear in conjunction with "Skip's" weekly notes on Friday.

The following were the results of games played in the Lawn Bowls Championship.

Open Singles (First Round)

At Police R.C.

W. Gill beat M. Y. Adal 23-12 at the 22nd head.

D. M. Khan beat W. Mulcahy 21-7 on the 21st head.

At Craigengower C.C.

C. M. Silva beat J. C. Aitken 24-0 on the 20th head.

A. S. Russell beat J. M. Forrest 25-5 on the 17th head.

At Hong Kong F.C.

R. F. Luz beat J. McCutcheon 21-11 on the 19th head.

At Kowloon Bowling G.C.

J. C. Remedios beat F. X. M. Silva 21-19 on the 30th head.

J. M. Jack beat A. Brooksbank 23-19 on the 23rd head.

A. M. Omar beat J. F. V. Riberio 21-3 on the 14th head.

At Kowloon Football Club

A. J. Coelho beat S. Randle 21-19 on the 28th head.

E. G. Post beat C. Mose 22-16 on the 17th head.

At Kowloon D.R.C.

L. J. Silva beat R. Duncan 21-9 on the 18th head.

At Club de Recreio

M. R. Abbas beat R. S. Meadows 21-18 on the 28th head.

At The Civil Service C.C.

W. Mair beat Y. A. Razack 21-17 on the 18th head.

Open Pairs (Fourth Round)

At Kowloon Docks

T. E. Robson and H. Nish beat J. A. da Luz and L. F. Xavier 30-12

At Kowloon B.C.C.

J. Gibson and W. V. Field beat A. E. Coates and B. W. Bradbury 16-12

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WEST INDIES

BATTING					
	Inns.	Runs	Score	Out	Avg.
G. Headley...	19	1374	234*	5	98.14
E. A. V. Williams	9	282	126*	2	40.28
J. B. Stollmeyer	16	620	117	0	38.75
J. E. D. Sealy	22	772	181	0	35.09
R. S. Grant	20	465	72	4	29.06
L. N. Constantine	20	420	63	2	23.33
K. H. Weekes	17	862	64	1	22.62
G. Gomez	17	357	58	1	22.31
V. H. Stollmeyer	11	218	73*	1	21.80
H. P. Bayley	14	258	104	2	21.50
J. H. Cameron	20	386	106	2	21.44
L. G. Hylton	11	122	55	3	15.25
E. A. Martindale	17	210	39	3	15.00
I. Barrow	18	214	26	1	12.58
C. B. Clarke	14	78	45	4	7.30
T. Johnson	4	4	2*	3	4.00

BOWLING					
	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg.
G. Headley	5	1	12	1	12.00
L. N. Constantine	308.4	45	1133	71	15.95
J. H. Cameron	204.6	35	605	30	20.16
C. B. Clarke	226	18	976	40	24.40
E. A. V. Williams	92.4	12	362	13	27.84
L. G. Hylton	224.1	20	866	31	27.93
T. Johnson	91.2	15	301	10	30.10
E. A. Martindale	282.7	28	1149	38	30.23
R. S. Grant	62.5	7	242	8	30.25
J. E. D. Sealy	45	4	161	5	32.20
V. H. Stollmeyer	6	1	33	1	33.00

* Signifies not out.
Also bowled—J. B. Stollmeyer, 12-0-83-1.

First-Class Averages

London, July 10.—The following are the first-class cricket averages to date:

BATTING					
	Inns.	Runs	Score	Out	Avg.
W. R. Hammond	23	5	1384	302	76.88
Compton (D.)	28	3	1656	181	66.24
Hutton	26	2	1553	230*	64.70
Sutcliffe	21	2	1133	234*	59.63
Timms	22	4	1023	120*	56.83
Gimblett	25	3	1207	129	54.86
Hardstaff	24	6	940	125*	52.22
Paynter	30	3	1385	222	51.29
Keeton	22	3	936	96*	49.26
C. H. Palmer	14	1	633	132	48.69
Langridge (James)	24	4	920	161	46.00
Dollery	22	1	964	177	45.90
Brookes (Northants)	22	1	952	187	45.33
O'Connor	28	1	1210	194	44.81
Davies (E.)	24	1	1020	287*	44.34
Iddon	29	6	1015	141*	44.13
Fagg	27	3	1055	169*	43.95
Oldfield	28	2	1138	147*	43.76
Lee (F. S.)	25	3	947	155*	43.04
G. F. H. Heane	24	2	943	138	42.86
Parker	26	6	851	111*	42.55
Nichols	25	5	830	146	41.50
Gibbons	30	3	1110	212*	41.11
Harris	25	2	935	196	40.65
Fishlock	30	2	1126	107*	40.21
Arnold	24	2	877	179*	39.88
E. D. R. Eagar	23	3	796	134	39.80
Edrich	24	0	955	118	39.79
Leyland	21	2	752	180*	39.57
Avery	17	1	626	121	39.12
C. S. Dempster	13	2	428	165*	38.90
Santall	17	2	571	156	38.06
Gunn	20	3	641	119	37.70
Cox	25	2	855	232	37.17

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING					
	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg.
Copson	386.2	52	1178	99	11.89
Verity	430.2	133	1814	105	12.51
Goddard	470.5	84	1587	114	13.92
Wright	282	35	1145	78	14.67
Bowes	467.7	96	1196	61	14.75
Lewis	144.7	31	427	27	15.81
Smith (R.) (Essex)	254.1	34	1036	56	18.50
Pope (G. H.)	297	46	1010	54	18.70
Pope (A. V.)	300	39	1034	53	19.50
Gover	404.6	24	1868	84	19.85
Robinson (Yorkshire)	231.1	42	882	44	20.44
S. Pether	191.4	34	622	31	20.06
Smith (J.) (Middlesex)	405.1	78	1113	55	20.23
Watt (Kent)	313.4	41	1020	50	20.40
Langridge (James)	235.1	32	817	40	20.42
Smailes	234.6	38	739	36	20.52
Smith (P.) (Essex)	356.2	48	1234	60	20.56
Nichols	381.3	48	1105	53	20.84
Mitchell (Derbyshire)	112.1	10	566	27	20.96
Todd	351	56	1146	53	21.62
Hollies	356.7	43	1302	60	21.70
Mayer	310.6	52	1079	48	22.47
Sims	414.2	40	1700	75	22.66
Butler	360.1	41	1374	60	22.90
Phillipson	499.2	62	1858	81	22.93
Harding	162.6	22	620	27	22.96

(Continued from Column 4)
together next season they should figure prominently in the League again. Incidentally, I understand that the whole team will be representing the British Empire in the International series for the Mamak Shield which will start shortly.

SPORTS PARADE

THE blare of trumpets resultant upon the fixing of a date for the "big game" between South China and I.R.C. in "A" Division of the Tennis League has again faded away to nothing—the game has once again been postponed!

Again the postponement has been instigated by South China, who give their former excuse: "two of our players are ill and we are unable to turn out a team."

I can't blame I.R.C. for being a trifle fed up with the whole business. There is nothing more annoying to a team than to be constantly put off when a "needle" game is in the offing and being eagerly looked forward to.

For this reason, if South China once again ask for a postponement after the game is fixed, I shall not be surprised if I.R.C. appeal to the League authorities for some action. I understand that a few years ago South China were the principal figures in a similar case. They put off C.R.C. so many times that the latter Club placed their case before the League and were awarded the points.

I mentioned on Saturday that there were two very important matches down for decision this week, the one that should have been placed yesterday and the South China-K.C.C. "A" clash to-day.

I have since learned that another important tie will be decided to-morrow, when C.R.C. entertain Kowloon Tong, in "C" Division, at Causeway Bay. The former team have already lost once to South China—but they are still full of fight and will make every effort to beat their visitors.

Kowloon Tong, who were pipped at the post by the same team last year, are also taking this game very seriously. On Sunday there was a full-dress rehearsal at Kowloon Tong, where all members of the team were put through their paces. Thus late in the season, there were experiments made with partnerships and I shall not be surprised if the Tongites' line-up for to-morrow will be almost entirely new.

One very drastic step that is contemplated is the breaking up of the Henry Ling-T. E. Lin combination which has not dropped a set in the League. There is a possibility, I have been told, of Ling partnering a nephew of his of the same name, while Lin's new partner may be a former doubles champion of Shanghai—I can't recall his name at the moment—who numbers among his victories, one over the inimitable Gordon Lum.

If these two proposed pairings turn out to be as strong as they should, on paper, C.R.C. are going to have a hard job to take more than a set from the two of them, in which case the remaining Kowloon Tong pair need not worry too much if they do not win a set.

BEFORE leaving League tennis—another snippet I have picked up and which I give for what it is worth. Tinnie Kwok, who I have been looking to as a member of South China's "A" team, will probably turn out for their "C" Division team!

CONGRATULATIONS to Union Brewery Baseball team on winning the Local Baseball championship at its first attempt, with every prospect of finishing the League with an unbeaten record.

Composed of players who have been seen on the local diamond for several years, the U.B. team has proved a well-balanced side, equally strong in its fielding and its hitting.

Of the regular nine players, six of them were good for a hit at any time, while the other three could also be depended upon to do their bit, when necessary.

While the team is deserving of plaudits for its feat, mention must be made of Messrs. C. Bennett their coach, and D. Leonard their captain.

Under the captaincy of Leonard the team was out training every Thursday and often twice a week, and it must be gratifying to Leonard, after three previous attempts to win the pennant with the Volunteer team, who secured runners-up positions twice, to captain a winning team.

While the performances of the majority of the players were as expected by those who knew their capabilities, three players showed great improvement. These were T. Ali who fielded magnificently at left field, S. Leonard, who improved his hitting considerably and M. el Arculli who reached peak pitching form.

If U.B. are able to keep this team (Continued at foot of Column 3)

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Exciting Finishes In A.A.A. Championships

D.M'nab Robertson's Sixth Marathon Victory

S.C. Wooderson Tested In Mile

Edinburgh, July 10.—D. M'nab Robertson, the Maryhill Harrier, gained his sixth victory in the Marathon race of the Amateur Athletic Association championships at White City, London, on Saturday. He covered a circuitous course of 26 miles 385 yards in 2 hours 35 mins 37 secs, which was his third best time.

The race started and ended at White City and throughout Robertson showed clever judgment and anticipation. He was among the leaders as the field of 54 left the stadium, and he appeared content to travel smoothly over the early stages. It was not until after 15 miles that he moved up into second place behind T. F. Lalonde, of Polytechnic, whose time there was 1 hour 31 mins 36 secs.

An idea of what was to come was given at 20 miles, when Robertson was only two yards behind the leader, S. S. Yarrow, of Polytechnic, who had made a tremendous effort over the intervening distance. Then Robertson seized his opportunity. He was greeted with a big cheer as he entered the stadium, and finished with a brilliant dash over the last lap to break the tape in the time stated. Yarrow, who was second, appeared tired, and his time was 2 hours 37 mins. 50 secs. Lalonde was third in 2 hours 44 mins. 1 sec.

SCOT THIRD IN POLE VAULT

A. W. Gibson (Edinburgh) finished third in the pole vault with 11 feet 6 inches. F. R. Webster (Millicarians) and D. E. Redsell (Herne Hill) finished first and second respectively with 12 feet 3 inches and 12 feet.

G. M. Carstairs (Edinburgh University) was a notable absentee from the three miles, which resolved itself into a desperate struggle between C. A. J. Emery (Achilles) and P. D. Ward (Achilles). The former's time of 14 minutes 8 seconds was a new British, English native, and championship record, and Ward, who was 3-5ths of a second slower, also improved on all three previous records.

J. C. Ross (Shettleston Harriers) was rather disappointing in the two miles steeplechase. After holding a good position in the early stages, he retired six laps from the finish. Robin Murdoch, a Scot of the Atalanta Club, ran second in his heat of the 100 yards to A. W. Sweeney, whose time was 10.1 seconds. In the semi-final Murdoch could only manage fourth place, and failed to qualify for the final.

Sydney Wooderson continued his record-breaking career by winning the mile title for the fifth successive year in 4 minutes 11.8 seconds. The time seems slow when compared with Wooderson's world record of 4 minutes 6.4 seconds, but it was a new championship "best," and represented terrific running by the Blackheath Harrier over the last lap in a great duel with his friend and rival, Dennis Pell.

It was Wooderson's second fastest mile this season in six races, including that at Princeton, U.S.A., last month, in which the champion was beaten, and his trainer, Albert Hill, expressed satisfaction with Saturday's performance. "It proves that he could not have been stale in America," was Hill's comment.

Wooderson's only trouble in the race was that he could not hear the announcements of the quarter-mile and half-mile times. Otherwise, if he had known that the time for 880 yards was so slow as 2 mins. 9.6 secs., he might have gone out earlier than he did to force the pace. Wooderson actually did take the lead early in the third lap, and led at the bell, with Pell in close attendance, but there was a roar from 25,000 spectators when Pell raced in front on the back straight.

For the moment it seemed as though Pell's challenge was going to cause a surprise, but Wooderson regained the advantage on the last bend, and raced along the finishing straight to win by four feet, having run the last quarter in 57.8 seconds. The champion had a tremendous reception as he walked off the track to receive the challenge cup which he has held since 1935.

Early in the second lap Wooderson stumbled momentarily, and there was a shout from the crowd, who remembered the unfortunate incident in the Princeton mile, but the check was almost imperceptible, and Wooderson lost no ground.

ANOTHER EXCITING RACE

Even more exciting than the mile was the three miles, in which the first three men home beat the previous best time for the event, and the first and second runners were inside the British and English records. C. A. J. Emery, the holder, was lying second to P. D. Ward at the bell, and raced all round the last lap until the final bend, when he forced himself past to win by three yards from Ward, with A. V. Reeve third, in 14 mins. 8 secs. It was a terrific finish, and the crowd did not cease their applause until the announcer said: "Keep quiet to hear the time. It is worth it."

Athletes from the Netherlands did well, for A. G. de Bruyn (Holland) won the weight, R. J. Brasser (Holland) the 120 yards hurdles, J. Bosmans (Belgium) the low hurdles, and J. Chapelle (Belgium) the steeplechase. The Dutch team might have had two other titles, for M. J. Osendarp had been fastest runner in the sprint preliminaries. In the 100 yards final, however, Osendarp pulled a left thigh muscle twenty yards from the tape, while engaged in a neck and neck race with A. W. Sweeney, who went on to win 9.9 secs. Osendarp, of course, could not turn out for the 220 yards final, which was won by C. B. Holmes, of Bolton, by two feet, from Sweeney, in 21.9 secs.

COMPLETE RESULTS

DISCUS

1. N. Syllas (Greece), 161 ft. 1 1/4 in.
2. A. G. J. de Bruyn (Holland), 139 ft. 0 1/2 in.
3. J. Nesbit (Royal Ulster Con.), 136 ft. 11 1/2 in.

HAMMER

1. B. Healion (Eire), holder, 161 ft. 8 1/2 in.
2. N. H. Drake (Sutton-in-Ashfield), 153 ft. 5 1/2 in.
3. D. McDonald Clarke (Royal Ulster Con.), 144 ft. 11 1/2 in.

POLE VAULT

1. F. R. Webster (Millicarian), 12 ft. 3 in.
2. D. E. Redsell (Herne Hill), 12 ft.
3. A. Gibson (Edinburgh), 11 ft. 6 in.

100 YARDS

- Heat 1—M. B. Osendarp (Holland), A. W. Masters (Metropolitan Police). Time: 10 secs.

- Heat 2—G. B. Holmes (Bolton United H.), A. T. Liffen (Ashcombe). Time: 10.4 secs.

- Heat 3—A. W. Sweeney (Millicarian), R. Murdoch (Atalanta). Time: 10.1 secs.

- Heat 4—J. Archer (Midland Counties) and T. R. Jover (Herne Hill) walked over.

- Heat 5—H. C. Wickerson (Highgate), J. R. N. Cumberbatch (Trinidad). Time: 10.1 secs.

- Heat 6—J. Saelens (Belgium), L. M. Wallace (Ryde). Time: 10.4 secs.

- Semi-final—1. Osendarp; 2. Sweeney; 3. Cumberbatch. Time: 10 secs.

- Semi-final—1. Holmes; 2. Wickerson; 3. Saelens. Time: 10.1 secs.

- Final—1. Sweeney; 2. Holmes; 3. Cumberbatch. Won by inches. Time: 9.9 secs.

- Quarter-mile Final—1. A. Pennington (Oxford University); 2. H. E. Pack (City of London Police); 3. R. A. Palmer (Achilles). Won by 5 yards. Time: 48.8 secs.



Wooderson in action.

PUTTING THE WEIGHT

1. A. G. J. De Bruyn (Holland), 48 ft. 6 1/4 ins.
2. R. L. Howland (Achilles), 45 ft. 1 in.
3. L. N. Horan (Eire), 43 ft. 9 1/2 ins.

LONG JUMP

1. W. E. N. Breach (Reading), 23 ft. 8 ins.
2. H. E. Askew (Achilles), 23 ft. 5 1/2 ins.
3. H. K. Lister (Salford), 23 ft. 4 1/2 ins.

THREE MILES

1. C. A. J. Emery (Achilles).
 2. P. D. Ward (Achilles).
 3. A. V. Reeve (Polytechnic).
- Won by three yards, 14 mins. 8 secs. (New British, English, and A.A.A. record.)

220 YARDS

1. C. B. Holmes (Bolton United).
 2. A. W. Sweeney (Millicarian).
 3. J. Saelens (Belgium).
- Won by a foot, 21.9 secs.

HIGH JUMP

1. J. L. Newman (Southgate), 6 ft. 2 ins.
2. H. V. Stubbs (Polytechnic), 6 ft.
3. R. O'Rafferty (Eire) and E. A. Pierre (Trinidad), tied at 6 ft. (equal number of failures).

120 YARDS HURDLES

- Heat 1—E. J. G. Higgins (Army) and A. Hughes (Achilles) walked over.
- Heat 2—R. J. Brasser (Holland); F. V. Scopes (Oxford University). 14.9 secs.

- Heat 3—T. L. Lockton (Achilles); O. G. W. White (Army). 15.5 secs.
- Final—1. Brasser; 2. Lockton; 3. Scopes. Won by half a yard. 14.7 secs.

ONE MILE

1. S. C. Wooderson (Blackheath Harriers), holder.
 2. D. B. Pell (Herne Hill).
 3. A. J. Collyer (Watford Harriers).
- Won by four feet, 4 mins. 11.8 secs.

440 YARDS HURDLES

1. J. Bosmans (Belgium), holder.
 2. C. Mantikas (Greece).
 3. R. A. Palmer (Achilles).
- Won by one yard, 54.9 secs.

TWO MILES STEEPLECHASE

1. J. Chappell (Belgium).
 2. A. E. Etheridge (Guy's Hospital).
 3. W. O. Wylie (Darlington).
- Won by 25 yards. Time: 10 mins. 22.4 secs.

HALF-MILE

1. A. G. K. Brown (Achilles).
 2. J. O. Moreton (Achilles).
 3. A. Littler (Pilkington H.).
- Won by inches. Time: 1 min. 55.1 secs.

440 YARDS RELAY

1. Blackheath.
 2. Hearne Hill.
 3. Polytechnic.
- Won by inches. Time: 43.4 secs.

JAVELIN

1. J. A. McKillop (Millicarian), 186 ft. 7 ins.
2. W. E. Hibbard (Reading), 166 ft. 1 1/4 in.
3. C. Melchior (Belgrave), 164 ft. 0 1/2 in.

- TUG-OF-WAR (100 Stones)—FINAL. Royal Ulster Constabulary beat R.A.S.C., Feltham (holders), two pulls to nil.

MARATHON

1. D. M. Robertson (Maryhill), 2 hours 35 mins. 37 secs.

BRITAIN'S WIGHTMAN CUP TEAM

London, July 8.—A strong team will represent Great Britain in the Wightman Cup women's lawn tennis match against America, at Forest Hills, New York, next month.

It was announced last night that the following had been selected:—

Miss Betty Nuthall (captain), Mrs. S. H. Hammersley, Miss N. B. Brown, Miss R. M. Hardwick, Miss V. E. Scott, and Miss K. E. Stammers.

Two players new to Wightman Cup tennis are included—Miss Nina Brown and Miss Valerie Scott.

Miss Brown has been selected primarily on her good performances in doubles, but her regular partner, Miss R. Jarvis, has not been included. Miss Scott was a member of the British team which toured South Africa last winter. She is a former junior champion.

Miss Nuthall, who is honoured with the captaincy for the first time, would probably have formed one of the doubles partnerships with Jean Nicoll, 16-year-old player, but Jean's father has decided not to allow her to go to America.

Miss Stammers and Miss Hardwick will probably be the two first-string singles players, with Miss Scott playing the odd single. The formation of the doubles partnerships is a little difficult to forecast except in the case of Mrs. Hammersley and Miss Stammers. The idea of the selectors may be to pair Miss Nuthall with Miss Brown.

America have won the cup eight years in succession.—Our Own Correspondent.

"BUSINESS REASONS"

London, July 9.—Miss Jean Nicoll will not be available to play for Britain against the United States in the Wightman Cup match in America. Miss Nicoll, who has shown brilliant form this year, confirmed this decision to a reporter at Wimbledon last night, and added, "It is for business reasons." Miss Nicoll declined to make any further comment.—Our Own Correspondent.

OUTSIDE-LEFT FOR RANGERS

London, July 2.—Hamilton Academicals and Rangers were concerned in two big transfers yesterday. Chris M'Nee, the popular international outside left, was transferred to Rangers, while Bert Harrison, Rangers' reserve inside left, returned to Douglas Park.

M'Nee, who has been a member of Academicals' team for the past few seasons, partnered Harrison until a season ago, when the latter was transferred to Rangers. He never really found his form at Ibrox, and only occasionally played in the first team.

Harrison's return to Douglas Park will strengthen a position in the Hamilton team which has never been satisfactorily filled since his departure.—Our Own Correspondent.

- 35 mins. 37 secs.
2. S. S. Yarrow (Polytechnic), 2 hours 37 mins. 50 secs.
3. T. F. Lalonde (Polytechnic), 2 hours 41 mins. 1 sec.
4. R. F. J. Nicholls (Reading), 2 hours 45 mins. 35 secs.
5. J. O'Brien (Port Talbot), 2 hours 47 mins. 33 secs.
6. D. W. Wooderson (Blackheath), 2 hours 48 mins. 11.8 secs.

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12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 p.m.—Paul Robeson (Bass) in Negro Spirituals.

Go Down, Moses (Burleigh); I Stood On De Ribber; Peter, Go Ring Dem Bells (arr. Burleigh); Git On Board, Lil' Chillun; Dere's No Hidin' Place (arr. Lawrence Brown)...with Piano accomp. by Lawrence Brown.

12.40 p.m.—Hawaiian Selections: Sundown In Old Waikiki (Carlton & Ritz); I My Life (Mitchell & Stept)...George Elliott's Hawaiian Novelty Quartet with Vocal Chorus.

Rose Of Maui—Waltz (King)...Don Barrientos & His Hawaiian Orch. Good-Bye, Hawaii!—Waltz (Bories)...Norman Clark & His South Sea Islanders.

Sweet Hawaiian Chimes (Sandford & Others); Tropic Love (Tomerlin & Long)...The Hawaiian Islanders with Vocal Chorus.

1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Charlie Kunz at the Piano. Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D. 17. Intro: Sunday In the Park; My heaven in the Pines; Good-night Angel; Love walked in; So little time; Says my heart.

Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D. 18. Intro: Please be kind; The Down and Out Blues; Cry, Baby, Cry; The sweetest song in the

World; The First Quarrel; Little Lady Make Believe.

1.15 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.30 p.m.—Dance Music. Fox-Trots—This Year's Kisses (film 'On the Avenue'); I've Got My Love To Keep Me Warm (film 'On the Avenue')...Roy Fox & His Orchestra.

Waltz—Brigitte...Dajos Bela Dance Orchestra.

1.40 p.m.—Relay of the Rotary Tiffin Speech from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel. Speaker: Rotarian Dr. H. Talbot. Subject: "Some Recent Experiences Behind the Chinese Lines."

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6 p.m.—Beethoven—Quartet In B Flat Major, Op. 130. Budapest String Quartet (Reismann Quartet).

6.36 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.38 p.m.—Cesar Franck—Prelude, Choral and Fugue. Alfred Cortot (Piano).

6.55 p.m.—A programme of Ravel and Debussy's Compositions. La Valse De Cloches ('Miroirs—No. 5'—Ravel)...Walter Gieseking

(Piano).

Sarabande (Debussy-Ravel)...Boston Symphony Orchestra cond. by Serge Koussevitsky.

Etude XI Pour Les Arpeges Composes...Vladimir Horowitz (Piano). Bolero (Ravel)...The Lamoureux Orchestra of Paris cond. by Maurice Ravel.

Menuet (Debussy)...Pablo Casals ('Cello) with Piano accomp. by N. Mednikoff.

7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The Second Cricket Test Match—England v. The West Indies. A commentary during play by Howard Marshall from Old Trafford, Manchester.

7.45 p.m.—Harry Roy's Orchestras in Dance Numbers.

Fox-Trots—You Made Me Love You; Where Did Robinson Crusoe Go With Friday on Saturday Night... Harry Roy's Tiger-Ragamuffins. Comedy Waltz—He Wooded Her, And Wooded Her, And Wooded Her; Fox-Trot—We're Gonna Have Smooth Sailing...Harry Roy & His Orch. Quickstep—Ragtime Cowboy Joe... Harry Roy's Tiger-Ragamuffins.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"Over the Garden Wall". A Little Summer Fantasy. The scene is set in two adjoining houses.

8.20 p.m.—London Relay—The Second Cricket Test Match—England v. The West Indies. A commentary during the play and a summary of the morning's play by Howard Marshall from Old Trafford, Manchester.

8.35 p.m.—Studio—Piano Recital by Lya Gurevitch.

1. Rondino (Kreisler).
2. Liebesfreud (Kreisler).
3. Liebesleid (Kreisler).
4. Paradise (Kreisler).
5. Danse Bohemienne (Debussy).
6. Polka Finale (Debussy).

9 p.m.—The B.B.C. Symphony Orches-

tra. Overture "La Scala Di Seta" (Rossini)...cond. by Arturo Toscanini. Overture "Merry Wives of Windsor" ...cond. by Adrian Boult.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—"Food for Thought".

9.45 p.m.—London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.

9.50 p.m.—Tangos.

Farewell, My Love...Robert Renard Dance Orchestra.

La Ultima Cancion; Cabecita... Heinz Huppertz & His Orchestra.

10 p.m.—London Relay—The Second Cricket Test Match—England v. The West Indies. A commentary during play by Howard Marshall from Old Trafford, Manchester.

10.15 p.m.—Variety and Dance Music with Clapham & Dwyer, Dorothy Lamour and Billy Cotton & His Band. Novelty Waltz—Maybelle, Maybelle (from 'Hide and Seek'); Fox-Trot—Horsey, Horsey...Billy Cotton & His Band.

Vocal—Let's Dream In The Moonlight (film 'St. Louis Blues'); I Go For That (film 'St. Louis Blues')...Dorothy Lamour with Jerry Joyce & His Orchestra.

Descriptive Sketch—Another Day's Broadcasting (Clapham & Dwyer)...Clapham and Dwyer with Effects.

Waltz—Easy Street; Quickstep—Fall In And Fly...Billy Cotton & His Band.

Fox-Trot—He Was A Gentleman's Gentleman; Slow Fox-Trot—Blazin' The Trail...Billy Cotton & His Band.

Sketch—Tennis...Clapham & Dwyer. Vocal—Thanks For The Memory (film 'Big Broadcast of 1938')...Dorothy Lamour with Orchestra. Fox-Trot—It Ain't Nobody's Biz'ness What I Do...Billy Cotton & His Band.

11 p.m.—Close down.



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♣ Q J 9 7

♠ Q J 10 4
♥ K 5
♦ J
♣ A 10 8 6

♠ 9 8 6 2
♥ Q J 10 6 3
♦ 10 5 4
♣ 5

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
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Pass	Pass	1♥	Pass
Pass	Dbl.	Pass	Pass
Pass			

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♣ x x x

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1♥	Pass	(?)	

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♥ A K x x
♦ x x x
♣ x x x

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(?)			

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GENERALISSIMO IS CONFIDENT OF CHINA'S EVENTUAL VICTORY

Chungking, To-day.

Complete optimism regarding the future of China's armed resistance was expressed by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in a speech delivered at the joint weekly memorial service of the National Government and the Central Kuomintang Headquarters yesterday morning.

The Generalissimo was confident that there would be ways to carry on resistance under whatever difficulties, and the greater were the difficulties, the ways of resistance would become more practical, the power of resistance more mighty, and the final victory nearer.

Militarily, the Generalissimo stated, China's position was much better than before the evacuation of Wuhan cities and her fighting strength was steadily increasing.

Internally, since the defection of Wang Ching-wei, the Government and the Party have been further consolidated.

Diplomatically, the Generalissimo declared, China need have no fear of Japan's manoeuvres to isolate her as the majority of the nations in the world uphold justice and righteousness and were sympathetic with China's cause.

FINANCES STRONGER

Turning to China's finance

and economy, the Generalissimo disclosed that China's financial and economic structure was stronger than when the National Government was in Nanking. The National Government would continue to maintain the legal tender and allot foreign exchange for legitimate requirements. In fact further effective measures had been devised for controlling and stabilising exchange, and for circulating legal tender notes in "occupied" areas.

The administration of exchange by Government banks in Shanghai since its fall to Japanese hands, the Generalissimo said, had been found to be beneficial to the Japanese and pup-

pets only. If this system should be maintained, it would only reduce China's power of resistance.

According to the Generalissimo, the slump in the exchange value of the Chinese dollar did not affect China's resistance and was, on the contrary, beneficial to China's wartime economy. He revealed that China had large military supplies in stock and not a cent need be used from the Stabilisation Fund for the replenishment of arms and ammunition. The fall in the exchange rate simply discourages import and stimulates export.

DANGER OVER

With reference to reports of people in Shanghai and Nanking exchanging legal notes for bogus notes the Generalissimo declared that this was apparently done by traitors at Japanese instigation. He hoped the Chinese and nationals of third Powers would not be deceived.

Concluding, the Generalissimo declared that China's resistance was based on the policy of economic regeneration and military operations with independent efforts. If China could continue the struggle in self-reliance and with a dauntless spirit, she would certainly overcome the difficulties. The real danger to China had already passed and it remained now for her to continue her efforts to bring the struggle to a successful conclusion.—Central News.

BEST TO UNDO THE HARM DONE

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British Government has accepted a deliberately vague formula in the hope that it will lead to early settlement of the Tientsin dispute.

The journal adds that if the Japanese are going to interpret the agreement as applying to the whole of China and as amounting to a guarantee of British co-operation in their conquest, and if this interpretation is wholly mistaken, it would be best to undo the harm that has already been done in China, the United States and this country as soon as possible.

WIDER STRUGGLE

We should make it clear that it is as essential for us to-day as it

IN MEMORIAM.

GRACE AU-YANG CHAN passed away on July 25th, 1938. Ever in our thoughts.

has ever been to support the Chinese dollar, and that there can be no restriction by us on the export to China of any materials which we can supply which may help her to carry on the war.

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